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Tenders for Dollars local currency for telegraphic transfer on the War Office, London, up to and for the sum of £5,000 will be received by the Area Paymaster, until 11 a.m. on December 28, 1939.

The tenders to state the total amount (in pounds sterling). No telegraphic transfer will be made for less than £100.

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J. S. EYNON,
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Area Paymaster, Shanghai.

Area Pay Office, Shanghai. 13177

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION
No. 1642

All registered brokers and firms are hereby notified that they must renew their registration at the Registration Desk in the General Office between January 1 and January 31, 1940. Any Licence or Bond not renewed on or before January 31, 1940 will be cancelled, and the broker or firm will be considered as unregistered.

L. H. LAWFORD,
Commissioner of Customs.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
Shanghai, December 27, 1939.

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SASSOON HOUSE,
Shanghai, December 27, 1939.

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Coupons must be listed on the Company's forms which may be had on application at the above-mentioned bank and must be left two clear days previous to payment between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m., Saturdays excepted.

By Order of the Directors,
R. LOCK,
Secretary and Asst. Manager.

Shanghai, December 20, 1939. 13176

To-day's Events

DECEMBER

28 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
28 For. Y. Debate: 'Any Santa Claus?'
28 National Government declared abolition of extraterritorial rights (1929)
28 Britain remitted Boxer Indemnity (1930)

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Coming Events

DECEMBER

29 Limbless Fund, Sale, U.C. Hall, 9.30
29 Rover Ball at Masonic Hall, sponsored by 7th Shanghai Rovers, 8.30
30 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
30 Municipal Orchestra, 12th Symphony Concert, Lyceum Theatre, 5.15
30 'Venus in Silks,' L. Opera, Lyc., 8.45

JANUARY, 1940

3 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
3 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon', Lyc. 9.15
4 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon', Lyc. 9.15
4 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
5 Reel Club, Annual General Meeting and Practice, Cricket Club, 9
5 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon', Lyc. 9.15
6 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon,' Lyc. 3
6 A.D.C. 'Busman's Honeymoon,' Lyc. 9.15
9 A.W.C.: Wm. Blackstone, baritone, 4.45
9 For. Y. Lecture: 'Chinese War Finances and Currency,' by Mr. E. Kann
9 'Mme. Butterfly,' opera, Lyceum, 9
10 K.D.S. mtg., 1292 Joffre, tea 4.30, bus. 5.15
10 'Mme. Butterfly,' opera, Lyceum, 9
11 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.15
11 'Night in Moulin Rouge' by G. Gilbert, Light Opera, Lyc., 8.45
12 Shanghai Camera Club, Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
13 'Night in Moulin Rouge,' L.O., Lyc., 8.45
14 'Night in Moulin Rouge,' L.O., Lyc, 8.45
15 For. Y. Lecture, 'Elementary Photography,' by Mr. R. V. Dent, F.R.D.S., F.R.M.S.
15 For. Y. Lecture, "Elementary Photography" by Mr. R. V. Dent, F.R.D.S., F.R.M.S.
16 A.W.C.: Miss Peterson on 'India,' 4.45
17 B. Zakharoff and V. Havsky in a Concert for Two Pianos, Lyc., 9.15
18 B.W.A. embroidery exhibition by pupils of Mrs. Schoenbek
20 Grand Operatic Concert, Lisa Robitchek, Ernest Krasso, Lyceum, 9
23 A.W.C.: Dr. Gardiner on 'Diet,' 4.45
23 For. Y. Lecture: 'Trans-Ocean Air Communications,' by Mr. F. J. Sanger
25 Cradle bridge/mahjongg, S.I.B.C., 3

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Directors have this day declared an Interim Dividend for the year ending December 31, 1939, at the rate of Two Dollar Cents Local Currency per share to be paid to Shareholders on record on Tuesday, January 16, 1940.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from January 10 to January 16, 1940.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
TURNER, STURROCK & BROWN,
Secretaries and General Managers.

Shanghai, December 27, 1939.

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THE AUTO PALACE CO., LTD.
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A Second Interim Dividend of Chinese $1.00 per share has been declared by the Directors and will be paid on January 10, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from January 6, 1940 to January 10, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. X. GUTIERREZ,
Secretary.

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NOTICE

CHINA REALTY COMPANY
Federal Inc., U.S.A.

Holders of 8% Debenture Certificates and old Common Stock Certificates of China Realty Company are hereby reminded that under the terms of the Plan of Reorganization of the Company confirmed by the United States Court for China on June 5, 1939, all claims and rights of holders of such Debenture Certificates and Stock Certificates will be extinguished unless their Certificates are surrendered to the Company not later than December 31, 1939, for exchange for Share Certificates of the new Common Stock of the Company. Holders of 8% Debenture Certificates and old Common Stock Certificates who have not sent their Certificates to the Company for exchange for new Common Stock Certificates are again urged to do so immediately, otherwise their rights may be forfeited.

CHINA REALTY COMPANY,
Federal Inc., U.S.A.
W. A. ADAMS, *Secretary.*

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EWO COTTON MILLS, LIMITED
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Interim Dividend has been declared for the year ending December 31, 1939, of $1 (Local Currency) per share on the Ordinary Shares of the Company, payable on January 17, 1940, to Shareholders on the register at that date.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from January 8 to January 17, 1940, both days inclusive.

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The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from December 22 to December 28, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Mother St. Alice's Thanks

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—May I ask you kindly to offer our most sincere thanks to the ladies of the American Women's Club for the beautiful bundles of warm clothing, the envelopes containing $10 or $5 for each American child; each one thought it was a dream. Few had ever possessed such a fortune, so a very grateful "Thank you" from the Reverend Mother and the Mother-in-Charge of The Providence.

A group of very kind and charitable friends enjoyed Boxing Day by sending their offering to St. Joseph's Convent. The Rev. Mother and the Mother-in-Charge of The Providence wish to extend their most sincere thanks to each and all. A list of names rather incomplete accompanied the gift, the donors will therefore please excuse any error or names missing. What surely exists is the gratitude of all at St. Joseph's for this kind gift of $200.

The beautiful, substantial and very practical hamper received from the B.W.A. has given joy for many days to the little ones at St. Joseph's Convent; cooking parties are organized so as to give a special treat during the holidays to all who consider the Convent as their home.

May our dear Lord bless and reward in a special way our dear benefactors.

MOTHER ST. ALICE.
St. Joseph's Convent.

Shanghai, Dec. 27.

Shanghai Dialect:
A Text Book Wanted

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Having begun to learn the Shanghai dialect my attention was called to a very necessary book "Conversational Lessons in the Shanghai Dialect" by Dr. Frank Rawlinson and Rev. J. W. Crowfoot.

Although I have inquired at several book stores for that book I have not been able to obtain it. I wonder if any of your readers (perhaps owners of book stores) could let me know whether there is any possibility of getting it from a book store or a private owner.

DR. BERT GLANCE.

Shanghai, Dec. 25.

Dog Sentry Saved German Post

Taught to Hate French Uniform; Wolfhounds As Watch Dogs

German patrols who have been active on the Western Front are making extensive use of highly trained wolfhounds as watch-dogs and messengers, writes Harold Cardozo, "Daily Mail" special correspondent with the French Army. "We have had to kill numbers of these animals, as they are very fierce and have been taught to hate our uniforms," a French infantry officer told me.

"But when we can we lasso them and send them back as prisoners. They make desperate efforts to escape to the German lines. I once found six chained up in an isolated house.

"Information carried by these dogs has often brought down sudden artillery bombardment on part of the French lines which has been observed by German patrols from the neighbouring woods."

A young bearded officer, in the blue breeches and tunic with yellow piping worn by French rifle units, told me how a dog had ruined his chance of success in a night raid three days ago.

To Get Prisoners

"We went out to get behind a German advance post and bring back a couple of prisoners," he said. "We had only a mile to go, and the way was quite easy, though it was very dark.

"We got into position behind the German trench and began to climb the hill towards it. We were not carrying rifles, only bombs, bayonets stuck through our belts, and revolvers.

"We found the first belt of wire where we expected it, and began to cut through it silently. I thought all was going well when I heard a shuffle in front and a huge dog bounded forward, barking like anything.

"In a second Verey lights were going up, and a machine-gun began firing, fortunately, at first, in the wrong direction.

Obeyed Whistle

"The dog disappeared, called back by a whistle, doubtless to point out where we were. We cut the last strand and dashed up to the next belt, only a few yards from the German trench.

"We began cutting this when the machine-gun again rattled out, and my sergeant came up and told me that he had six men wounded, two very seriously.

"It was useless to continue the attempt to enter the trench and take prisoners. We threw all our bombs, including those of the wounded men, into the German line, and then we made off as fast as we could. "But for that four-footed sentry I am sure our raid would have been a perfect success."

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Mr. Leonard Murphy, once Edison's chief technician in Britain, drove me in a car of his own design which has no clutch, no gearbox, and reduces petrol consumption by at least half, writes a "Sunday Express" representative.

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The car weighs twenty-seven hundred-weight; it was originally a sixteen h.p. model. With three up, we drove at a steady thirty miles an hour, occasionally accelerating to forty-five miles an hour. Our petrol consumption was sixty miles to the gallon.

Mr. Murphy has removed the car's original 16 h.p. engine and replaced it with a 7 h.p. engine. He has added a 3½ h.p. dynamotor of his own design and a set of batteries.

Great Economy

The car is started on the batteries. Once it is in motion, the petrol engine takes up the drive and maintains the speed. The electric motor, now operating as a dynamo, is replacing the energy used in starting.

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"I'm fifty-six," Mr. Murphy said, "and I've done a lot of engineering. I've designed this car not because I want to make a fortune, but simply in the belief that it's right. "I call my latest baby 'dualpower' because the car drives from either or both of two sources of energy."

"Roman Wall" Found In London

Pottery and Tiles Come To Light

Workmen excavating the site of All Hallows' Church, Lombard-street, E.C., the Wren building which has been demolished to make room for the extension of Barclays Bank, have been digging their way back through the centuries, writes the "Evening Standard."

They have gone through what is left of four churches on the one site, each older than the last, and have now struck brick walling believed to be Roman. The excavations are by no means complete. They are being closely watched by an archæologist from the Guildhall Museum.

Sent to Museum

The walling so far unearthed is about six feet long and two feet high; how thick is not yet known, as only the face has been uncovered.

A few tiles and pieces of pottery have also been found, and sent to the Guildhall Museum for examination. It is expected that many more will be dug up.

On several previous occasions Roman remains have come to light in Lombard-street. In 1925, at the corner of Lombard-street and Gracechurch-street, brick piers of Roman workmanship were discovered about 13 feet below street level.

More than 200 years ago a Roman pavement was unearthed. On it were many pieces of decorated pottery and coins, dating from the reign of Nero to that of Constantine.

King Leopold Sends Thanks to Army

Loyalty and Sacrifices Appreciated

Brussels, Dec. 26.

A message of gratitude for the loyalty and abnegation shown by Belgian servicemen through the period of crisis and war was addressed to the Army today by King Leopold of the Belgians.

"On the approach of the new year," he stated, "I wish to address my best wishes to the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates of the Army and to their families.

"I know of the sacrifices that service to the country has imposed in recent months, especially on recalled Reserves and their near ones, and I appreciate the patriotic abnegation, with which all have accepted these sacrifices.

"I hope that everyone will be convinced that our efforts constitute the best guarantee for the safety of our homes and the maintenance of peace, which is so ardently desired by the whole nation."—Havas.

British Captives on Graf Spee Sail for Home

Buenos Aires, Dec. 27.

The five British skippers and the fifty-five British sailors who were on board the Admiral Graf Spee as prisoners until their liberation by the Uruguayan authorities in Montevideo, boarded the ss. Highland Chieftain yesterday on their way home to England.

On the other hand, the officer in command of the German warship's crew has asked that his men be interned either in barracks or a military zone under his orders. The authorities have decided, however, to send the German sailors to various parts of the country where they could work without being subjected to military discipline.—Havas.

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The English People at War—A Study and a Tribute

Impressions of an Imperial American Observer; Foul German Atmosphere, England's Freshness

TO come back to the fresh, clean air of England after breathing the foul atmosphere of Germany, so poisoned by its murderous Government's malignity, hate and vituperation—not only against England and every other nation that blocks its way, but also against so many of its own citizens—is to enter a new, a wholesome, a free world; is to experience an exaltation of the spirit, states Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard, an American citizen, in the "Daily Telegraph." Here men can smile even under the strain of a terrible war. Here they look you straight in the eyes with nothing to conceal or apologize for.

Here they talk to you about their hopes, their fears, their desires, without looking behind them to see if they are being overheard. Here they criticize their Government, if they so wish, and close no doors for fear of a Gestapo. Here they have a still free, if not unfettered, Press, and here they tell you that, much as they hate the war and all that pertains to it this is a job to be done as best it may. No cant, no self-laudation, no self-pity, no whining. Just a manly, straightforward, clear-eyed facing the future with the same magnificent, cool courage, the same astounding determination, that amazed me at the outbreak of the struggle.

I have not found a man or a woman enthusiastic for the war—no more than in Germany; and, thank heaven, I have found none who have professed admiration for it as war. I have encountered many who hate the whole institution, dread the outcome of it all, and feel that the blunders of their own Governments in the past have helped to bring it on. But I have met none who did not admit the complete, the essential justice of the Allied cause, whether they believed in war methods or not.

The serious dissensions of 1914 are nowhere in evidence; it is as nearly a united front as it could possibly be, granting the existence of conscientious objection to war; and that united front, without heroics or self-adulation, is still calmly saying that this war must be won if Europe is to be saved, if it is to be a place of habitation of free men.

There has been no referendum of the British people on this war, as I wish there might always be in every country, but if there had been there can be no doubt whatever of the size of the majority there would have been.

British Spirit

In Berlin I was eagerly asked what was the spirit of the British people, and nothing I told them impressed my hearers more than the story of the quiet young man who sat next to me on the top of a 'bus just before I left for Germany. I had asked him the rank of an officer near us, apologizing for my ignorance by saying that I was an American.

He said: "You have come to London at an unhappy time. It is too bad that you should see it now." I explained that it was not a new city to me, but that I was deeply grieved that war had come to it again.

Very quietly and simply he replied: "Well, it had to come. You see, I am a young man. I shall probably have to go and may not come back. But there is no use going on in this way. I don't want to live in a Europe like the one we have lived in for the last five years. How can a young man like myself build a home and found a family if he's told every six months he must be ready to go to war?"

That, I assured people in Germany, is just the spirit in which England went into the war. Those are the words used to me by porters, taxicab-drivers, waiters—indeed, all the workers I have had time and opportunity to meet. My chambermaid says cheerfully: "We'll have to go on till we get rid of that man."

Calm Self Control

Underneath, I know, the currents of the spirit run fast. Under that mask of calm self-control that has set the Englishman apart for centuries, feelings are deep and deeply stirred. Underneath the emotions of these men and women lies the passion for justice and the passion for justice, I believe, is stronger in this country than in any other.

My great fear for England is lest the war weaken that passion, lest the zeal for individual liberty, which has been England's greatest contribution to the progress of the race, be weakened and even destroyed by the war and the war spirit. For war means, as everyone here knows today, the extension of controls, the putting on of checks and reins, the infringement of liberty, which it is sought to justify on the ground that one must fight fire with fire, that to defeat a ruthless dictator one must be as ruthless as the dictator himself.

Fortunately, it is in the finest English tradition that criticism is still heard in the British Parliament. The very impatience with war restrictions, the widespread disapproval of phases of the evacuation and of the compulsory billeting, the vigorous opposition to Mr. Keynes's scheme for a forced levy on wages for saving, the great desire to keep Parliament in session—all these are signs of health; signs that the finest thing in British life, its jealousy of its rights and privileges, is still intact.

Rights of Man

I have every hope that this vigilant guarding of the rights of the Englishman will continue, for they are the Rights of Man. Never was there a period in the world's history when it was more necessary to stress those rights and to preserve them in the face of those who declare that the individual has no rights whatever that the State is bound to respect; that he lives only to be ready to die in prison or concentration camp or on the battlefield, as the dictator may decide.

Give up those rights, even "for the duration," and more than half of England's case against Hitler falls to the ground. It is a battle not merely for a new and a federal world, but for the re-establishment of the equality of individuals without regard to race or creed or colour, without regard to whether they belong to minorities or majorities.

It is a sign of wisdom and of health that, in this emergency, debate as to what shall be the ideals and aims beyond the actual winning of the war goes on apace. This is the time to plan ahead, not when the war passions have risen to great heights and the losses and sacrifices may have become immeasurable, as between 1914 and 1918.

It is worthy of the best tradition of English statesmanship to have an Opposition leader declare in the House of Commons, contrary to the precedent of the last war, that "first of all, the peace settlement must be made by the co-operation of the victors, the vanquished and the neutrals alike."

It is leadership in the best English manner to have the Labour party say that it must not be a dictated peace, or one between one or two Powers; that the concept of absolute sovereignty should be abandoned and that there should be recognition of an international authority with the power to enforce its decisions.

Of course, there are clashes of opinion; of course, there are disagreements; of course, there will be views of every varying shade: but that, again, is the magnificent English tradition.

One has only to look across the Channel to Germany—where no man dare venture an opinion as to what the peace should be; where I heard no single man discuss the terms of a just settlement or what the Europe of the future should be—to understand the difference between slaves and free men, to know why it is that two systems for the government of men are in death-grapple to-day.

Unforgettable Picture

Goodbye London! I shall take back to America an unforgettable picture of blackouts and sandbags, of trenches scarring the beautiful parks, and of balloons on guard, as exquisite when beneath blue skies as jewels in a raja's raiment. The majesty of London at night in a darkness unpalleled since the days of Shakespeare will always live with me, for then the mystery of the greatest of capitals is at its height.

Men and women may sit behind drawn curtains fearing perhaps to go about; the city broods over them in awe-inspiring beauty. Look down upon it from a height and it is all the world—dotted by will-o'-the-wisp lights that betray a 'bus, a car.

Destroy *this* city? Well may the Germans pause, for this that looms so sombre and so vast is not England's alone. This is the heritage of all who say that men shall be free. For him who lays violent hands upon it there will be forgiveness never.

Goodbye, London! I take back to America something finer still—the unforgettable picture of the men and women who bring this city's streets to life. By day and by night I shall see the puzzled, adventurous faces of children being evacuated into—for them—the unknown, with their British mothers shedding but scant, decorous tears.

Justice, Humanity, Right

I shall behold, whenever I please, the faces of British youth in uniform; handsome, clearеyed, cheery—wholesome, wholesome, wholesome. Too fine to lose; too fine to die! I shall recall the women, young and old, in uniform; a trig, handsome girl of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force; a constable as neat, as spick and span, as any guardsman before St. James's Palace; an air-warden in brown, for all the world a sergeant-major in skirts; a man in a khaki kilt dancing with a girl in khaki trousers.

There will come to me across the Atlantic the men drilling bare-kneed in barracks; long queues before the Naval Reserve boats in the Thames; troops marching across country; lorries full of men, tanks, guns, men—always fine, splendid men.

But more than that, as long as I live there will be with me the quiet faces of those without uniforms, without titles, the plain people who carry on; who have nothing—yet, if they have sons, everything—to lose; who must pay and pay and pay. For these are England—the England that must be made free of wars, free of fear, free of injustice. For them, after the war, must be built the England that is to come, better and finer than ever before.

Goodbye, England! I go unafraid. For Justice, Humanity and the Right are standing on your right hand. And to them Victory will come in time.

Seventy Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," OF DECEMBER 28, 1869

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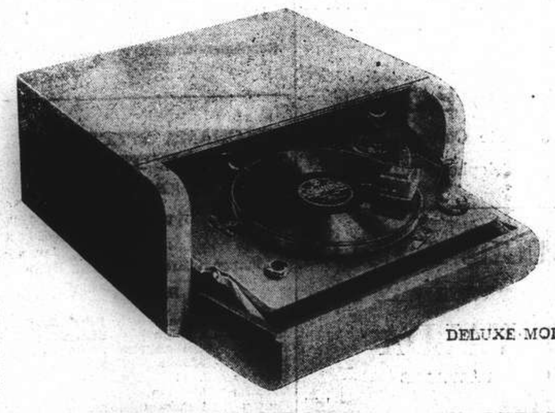

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GRAND.—"Angels with Dirty Faces."—Pulse-pounding excitement in the way of gangster dramas that revolves round a big time racketeer and a bunch of kids who make him their hero until he turns "yellow" on the way to the electric chair. Starring James Cagney and Pat O'Brien, with The "Dead End" Kids, Ann Sheridan and George Bancroft. Opens today.

METROPOL.—"Housekeeper's Daughter."—Highly hilarious comedy that defies description save to say that it is crammed with side-splitting gags, bewildering complications and a riotous burlesque of the reporter v. gangster theme. Starrring Joan Bennett, Adolphe Menjou, with John Hubbard, William Gargan, George E. Stone, Peggy Wood Donald Meek and Mart Lawrence.—Opens today.

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CAPITOL.—"Zenobia."—Laughs, comedy, romance, with a two-ton lady elephant in the funniest picture of the year. With Oliver Hardy, Jean Parker, Billie Burke and Alice Brady.

Films Coming

"Honeymoon in Bali."—Glamorous tale staged in New York, Bermuda and Bali, of a big business woman who loses her heart when she least expects to do so, but throws away her chance of happiness to fight for it when she discovers she has a rival. Starring Fred MacMurray, Madeleine Carroll and Allan Jones, with Akim Tamiroff. Tomorrow, at the **CATHAY.**

"The Women." — 135 women with nothing on their minds but men as they kiss, coo, scratch and bite to hold a man or snatch a man. With Norma Shearer, Joan Crawford and Rosalind Russell topping one of the most spectacular casts of film celebrities ever gathered together for one motion picture. Coming to the **ROXY.**

"Tower of London."—Colourful and exciting drama of England in the age of Richard Crookback, built around the grim personality of the Public Executioner at the Tower and introducing all the romance and adventure of the most troubled period in English history. Starring Basil Rathbone, with Boris Karloff, Barbara O'Neil, Ian Hunter, Vincent Price, Nan Grey, John Sutton and Leo G. Carroll, Coming to the **NANKING.**

"Broadway Serenade." — A musical cavalcade from songs of the gay Nineties to hit tunes of today. Starring lovely Jeanette MacDonald in a musical drama packed with glorious songs, romance, glamour and spectacle. With Lew Ayres, Ian Hunter and Frank Morgan. Coming to the **ROXY.**

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Happy New Year

Ilona Massey, Hollywood's importation from Hungary, extends greetings.

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"Honeymoon in Ball"

It needs little imagination to visualize Fred MacMurray and Madeleine Carroll in the South Seas. This smart film, with Helen Broderick, is the Cathay New Year feature.

"The Real Glory"

With Gary Cooper in the leading role, supported by Andrea Leeds, the management of the Nanking Theatre are sure that Shanghai cine-fans will not regret seeing one of the year's best shows.

"The Wizard of Oz"

The management of the Roxy presents today one of the most outstanding pictures of 1939—with Judy Garland, Ray Bolger, Jack Haley, Frank Morgan and Bert Lahr.

"Angels with Dirty Faces"

The Grand Theatre for the New Year programme features James Cagney, Pat O'Brien and The "Dead End" Kids in a picture which, arguments settled, still is most entertaining.

Farren's New Year Programme

Preparations are well in hand for observance of the New Year at Farren's and the list of reservations is just about full. The larder is stocked with turkeys and other viands ready for the chef, while such details as souvenirs and favours, noisemakers and balloons carefully have been tended to and an ample supply awaits the funmakers. The floorshow is at full strength and, headed by Lilly Flohr, will present appropriate items. Supporting are the Dani Sisters and Anatoly and Olympia.

Fingerut's 12-man orchestra will devote its classical section to a concert during dinner and for dancing will reintroduce a large number of older favourites.

"Busman's Honeymoon"

The A.D.C. production next week is being looked forward to eagerly in as much as a play of great merit has been selected for the Club's holiday offering. The intriguing story of how a honeymoon couple arrive at a country cottage and are immediately concerned with the mysterious disappearance of a prominent figure in the district. There are introduced a number of particularly well drawn types thus giving opportunity for some very clever character studies. Mr. Gmehling, the producer, has been particularly fortunate in being able to assemble an unusually suitable cast and an outstanding entertainment is assured.

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The playing dates are January 3 and the three following nights; there will be a matinee on January 6 at 3 p.m.

Star's Brothers Play Trick on Her

Place Skunk in Jane Bryan's Bathroom

A visit to Jane Bryan's house was delayed two weeks because a skunk got into Jane's bathroom and she wouldn't have anybody out but a man from a fumigating company, writes Hubbard Keavy to the "Oregonian."

Jane says she thinks it was a fox, and a dead one at that, but a skunk couldn't have been more annoying and what would you do if you had brothers who do things like that? I also would have a man out to sprinkle deodorants generally here and there if my brothers set up a tannery and, in addition, I would teach them some respect.

But Jane said her brothers have a great deal of respect for her and they also are very proud of her, but sometimes they are a little thoughtless. She has three, all younger, which means they are less than 21. Having a movie star in the family, or anyway a sister who is rapidly becoming one, has affected the three brothers nohow, except that they exercise that old phrase "Can yah loan me...." more often.

They still carry the family name of O'Brien and so does Jane in her mind. Thinks she never will get used to the omission of the O apostrophe and the altered spelling. The reason she became Bryan was because the Warners already had an O'Brien and they did'nt want to ask Pat to hack off part of his monogram from almost everything he owns.

Jane wonders how she gets along so well, considering how timid and shy she says she is. Her favourite actress is Bette Davis and she had figured out just exactly what she was going to say the first time she met Bette. The effusive Davis was so-o-o-o glad to see Jane that Jane couldn't say a thing.

Jane is a girl who wanted to go on the stage. Not in the movies. Three years ago, when she was going on 18, she tried out for a part in Jean Muir's too short-lived theatre workshop. The inevitable screen test (inevitable when you aren't looking for one, commented Jane) was offered, but she turned it down. She was persuaded finally to take it, just to help boost the Muir theatre, and then she turned down the proferred contract for these singular reasons:

"I grew up here and I knew all about the movies. They didn't seem glamourous or exciting or interesting to me. I wanted to go on the stage."

In three weeks, she says, she made up her mind—with the counsel of her attorney-father, who wanted to keep an eye on his daughter for a few more years, and her mother, who had the same idea and who likes to go to the movies.

When Jane recalls the three weeks' debate, she wrinkles her freckled face prettily and, almost to herself, says, "three minutes if I'd known what I know now."

Quality Floorshow

Del Monte Cafe this week is featuring a floorshow of excellent entertainment quality and with Bob Fockler's American Bob-Cats playing the latest in music there is never a dull moment at this old-established spot on Avenue Haig, well out of the "Indilands" region. On Sunday this cabaret will be prepared to handle record crowds wishing to celebrate New Year's Eve. All arrangements have been completed to see the old year out and the new year in at Del Monte's in traditional manner and patrons will be provided with gifts, noisemakers, coloured hats, confetti and other little presents. The finest of food is available at all hours and the large staff at Del Monte's assures one of obtaining prompt service.

Laughton's Latest Hollywood Film

Uses Light Make-up in "The Hunchback of Notre Dame"; Hampden's Archbishop

Walter Hampden is somewhat mystified by Hollywood, but views the cinema with indulgence and consideration, writes Douglas W. Churchill to the New York "Times." He is at RKO for his first film role, that of the Archbishop in Charles Laughton's "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," and, finding the screen interesting, he is agreeable to remaining. He regards the movies as a very restful sort of activity for an actor who has no responsibilities beyond his own part and, unlike many stage recruits, he has no ambition for production or direction and is glad to listen to the Hollywood craftsmen who, he says, know how things should be done.

He has no illusions about the place he occupies in Hollywood. His role is comparatively brief and the character is not developed to any great extent. With the wisdom that comes with years, he is amused by incidents which show what an unknown he is. When he alighted from a train in Pasadena and faced RKO's publicity cameras, the autograph hounds swarmed round him. The station master, standing at his side, said, "That's what it means to be famous." Hampden answered, "I'll show you exactly what it means," and he asked two young ladies for whom he had signed if they knew who he was. Both said no.

The Laughton conception of the hunchback differs from Lon Chaney's, which made the 1923 version famous. The studio is guarding the details of the Laughton make-up, created by Perc Westmore and photographs will be withheld until the picture is shown. The cost of the make-up was $6,000 before production started, but it costs nothing now except the salary of a Westmore assistant who applies at it every day. Chaney's make-up weighed forty pounds; Laughton's weighs but six. A sponge rubber right cheek and eye-piece has been applied to Laughton's face. This covers his real eye, leaves an eye socket below it and distorts his whole face, drawing the right side down into a deformed grimace. The mechanism of the false eye is a secret which Westmore refuses to divulge. It opens and closes and winks. The sponge rubber piece is affixed so that it moves and twitches as Laughton's face moves and twitches.

"Hunchback" provides Laughton with an actor's field day. At first there was considerable friction between the star and William Dieterle, the director, but, after a few explosions, difficulties over make-up and interpretation were ironed out. Laughton is receiving approximately $75,000 for the assignment, with the studio paying both American and British income taxes. The rest of the cast, including Hampden, Thomas Mitchell, Sir Cedric Hardwicke, Maureen O'Hara and others, will receive probably $100,000. The film will cost close to $2,000,000.

Role Lures Ex-Star

Betty Compson, once a romantic star, would like to play mother roles now if casting directors would only admit she's old enough.

"I ought to be just about the right age for a screen mother," says the former star of such epics of the silent screen as "The Miracle Man" and "Woman to Woman."

"I entered pictures at the age of 15, and I'm 40 now.

"But did you ever see a mother in pictures who looked less than 55? Yet we have 16-year-olds playing leads. Logically their mothers should be not much more than 40.

"That's the movie game," says Betty, quietly. Still attractive, she is virtually a brunette counterpart of Gladys George in facial expression, appearance, mannerisms and voice. She does look younger than 40.

"I can wear a grey wig if necessary," she insists.

"There's too much competition for me to play glamour girls indefinitely. I look too young to play mothers, I feel like asking them what the makeup department is for."

"Oomph" is Not Enough

Ever since Clara Bow was discovered by Elinor Glyn as having more sex appeal than any other film actress, and was, therefore, distinguished as the "It" girl, Hollywood has been looking for her successor. Clara Bow married, retired from the screen, had a family and went to live with her husband on a ranch. Her place was vacant and talent scouts, or whoever may be the leading experts on sex appeal, kept sharp eyes open for the right symptoms.

Recently Miss Ann Sheridan was singled out, but a new name was discovered for her peculiar distinction. "It" and "Oomph" were the same thing. Now Ann Sheridan or her producing company or both have come to the conclusion that "Oomph" is not enough; that its publicity is exhausted. Therefore the actress will appear as an actress in "It All Came True," adapted from a story by Louis Bromfield.

This is good news, because Ann Sheridan is too good an actress to be exploited as the mere quintessence of femininity. There is no doubt about her charm, nor is there any doubt about her acting and in her next picture she will have plenty of opportunity to act, supported by George Raft and John Garfield.

Gloria Franklin

Stage star who has been recruited by Metro for cinema work.

"Housekeeper's Daughter"

This rollicking comedy which patrons of the Metropol will relish as from today, stars Joan Bennett and Adolphe Menjou with John Hubbard and William Gargan associated.

French Club Dance

In continuation of their endeavour to provide first-class entertainment during the holiday, the committee of the French Club has arranged an entirely new floor show for the dinner dance on Saturday.

The programme follows:—

"Blue Danube" .....Orlovski-Rager
Bolero .....Henriette and Pasquale
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"I Beg Your Pardon Lady" Dixie Sisters

Brer Fox Ready for The Week-end

The holiday week-end at Brer Fox, it is anticipated, will be more greatly appreciated than was the past one; this is not to say Christmas fell short of the high Cathay standard. Major details have been taken care of and it only remains for the chef and his assistants to prepare the luscious menu which will be served.

The floorshow, six Cathay girls, will render a nice programme of entertainment, as will the orchestra, and all of them at midnight will assist guests in welcoming the New Year. The management assures a number of surprises on the Eve.

To Dine and Dance

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Garcia Sails for America To Defend His Title

World Middleweight Champion Allowed to Leave Manila; Lee Departs in Same Ship

Manila, Dec. 27.

CEFERINO Garcia, Filipino world middleweight champion who retained his title against Glen Lee here Saturday night, was given clearance papers to leave Manila and sailed aboard the President Pierce today after he had paid 600 pesos income tax and also fines covering income tax non-payments for the past three years. George Parnassus, Garcia's manager, protested vehemently that "Garcia has been away from the Philippines and was never notified that he had to pay tax on his income in the United States. Garcia's return to Manila did not mean money for him as he could have had several fights in the United States. I realize he must meet just obligations to the Government, but why should he be fined for something he was never told about."

Parnassus leaves for the United States tomorrow by Clipper plane.

Internal Revenue Department officials said that the Garcia-Lee fight grossed 70,947 pesos, including movie rights.

After deducting 18,369 pesos as Jack Dempsey's fee and the Government tax, Garcia received 30 per cent. and Lee 20 per cent. of the remaining 51,363 pesos.

Lee also left on the President Pierce after Jes Cortes, local promoter, had evidently failed to match him with Luis Logan, retired former light-heavyweight champion of Europe and the Orient who desires to come out of retirement and oppose either Lee or Garcia.

Before leaving Garcia said that he hoped the people here were "satisfied with seeing me fight. I was glad to return home after an absence of seven years. I hope to return to the United States and retain the title against all comers for the next four years."—United Press.

Upset Prevented By Late Rally

Foreign Y.M.C.A. Cubs Defeat Chains by 29-22 In League Basketball

Rallying in the last ten minutes, the Foreign Y.M.C.A. "Cubs" prevented an upset in one of the two matches in the "Y" Invitation Basketball League when the Chains were finally overcome. The score at the end of the contest was 29 to 22.

Krause and Dobrenky made their appearances in the second half, but their inclusion did not help the team until the latter stages in which the Chinese had a busy time within their own areas. Hu, the centre, went out via the foul route when the Chains still held a 3-point lead of 20-17. Bernard and Carson each netted to turn defeat into victory.

In the other encounter the U.S. Marines Whites, strong favourites to win the championship, soundly trounced their second-stringers. The margin was 38 to 22, with half-time finishing at 25-9.

The Cubs were tightly held by the Chains throughout the first half. Carson and Bernard, the two goal-getters, experienced difficulty to break into the Chinese defence. The absence of Krause certainly broke the combination to pieces.

FOREIGN "Y" CUBS

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Chantural, lf.	1	1	1	3
Dobrenky, rf.	1	1	1	3
Bernard, c.	3	0	1	6
Carson, lg.	2	3	0	7
Kohnert, rg.	1	3	3	5
Krause, rg.	1	1	1	3
Ridgeway, rg.	1	0	4	2
	10	9	11	29

CHAINS

S. T. Tung, lf.	2	1	4	5
C. P. Lee, rf.	2	4	5	8
K. C. Hu, c.	1	0	4	2
C. Z. Chang, lg.	1	1	2	3
K. Y. Hu, rg.	1	3	3	5
T. J. Wong, rg.	0	0	0	0
	7	8	18	22

1st half:—Cubs 14, Chains 12.
2nd half:—Cubs 15, Chains 10.

MARINE WHITES

	fg.	ft.	f.	pts.
Pasko, lf.	4	0	2	8
Balducci, rf.	3	0	1	6
Burch, rf.	0	0	2	0
Koreis, c.	7	2	2	16
Sargent, lg.	3	2	0	8
Goush, rg.	0	0	2	0
	17	4	9	38

MARINE REDS

Leadbetter, lf.	0	0	1	0
Estes, lf.	1	0	0	2
Rozier, rf.	0	0	1	0
Kauffman, c.	3	0	1	6
Robinson, lg.	4	3	0	11
Dingwall, rg.	1	0	1	2
Mudry, rg.	0	1	0	1
	9	4	5	22

1st half:—Whites 25, Reds 9.
2nd half:—Whites 13, Reds 13.

International Cross Country Race

To Be Held on February 4; Regulations Given

A 7-Mile International Cross-Country Championship Race sponsored by the Hongkew Cross-Country Club will start at 8.30 a.m. on February 4, 1940. The start and finish of the race will be at the gate of Kwong Hsia Middle School, Moulmein Road.

The regulations of the race are as follows:—

Teams shall consist of eight runners but only the first six to finish will count for team points.

The remainder shall be considered individual entries.

Points will be awarded on the order at the finish (excluding individual runners), and the team which scores the lowest aggregate will be the winning team.

Entries are being opened for those who are interested and a list of competitors' names must, however, be sent before January 20, to Captain Y. T. Liang, addressed 815 Avenue Road by registered letter. In order to make the distance more familiar practices are being held at 7 a.m. every Sunday morning.

Big Hai Alai Plans For Manila

Shanghai Businessmen to Have Share in Venture

Manila, Dec. 27.

A group of Manila and Shanghai businessmen have organized a million-peso hai alai corporation here and the grounds on which their auditorium will stand will be broken at a ceremony on January 15, 1940, it was announced today.

Haig Assadourian and Teodoro Jauregui, who promoted the game in Shanghai and Tientsin, are on the board of directors of the local corporation, which is headed by Adrian Got.

Joaquin "Mike" Elizalde, Philippines Resident Commissioner at Washington, is the vice-president.

The local group plans to shift leading hai alai players between Barcelona, Madrid, San Sebastian, Manila, Shanghai and Tientsin in order to secure the best available talent and provide the spectators with new faces.

Local sporting circles believed the game would prove most popular here because of the Spanish background.—United Press.

Lido Go Further Ahead of Rivals

Saints Become Greater Threat as Seaforths' Position Weakens

The surprise defeat of the Seaforths at the hands of the weakened Recs eleven put Lido further in the lead in the First Division of the S.F.A. League. At present, judging from past performances, the S.F.X. are the only ones who stand in Lido's way and the meeting between these two sides should be a big attraction.

The Recs, with seven games played, now hold the third position. The S.F.X. take the next berth, with six matches played. The Police missed a good chance to win their first game of the season when facing a ten-man Clube Lusitano team on Christmas Day and losing by 2-1. The law officers are almost sure to finish last in the competition.

Positions in the Reserve and Second Divisions remained unchanged. In the Third Division Maccabi and Three Cultures continued to share jointly the lead. The R.A.M.C. seored their first victory of the season at the expense of the Judeans by the odd goal in three last Saturday and have extricated themselves from the cellar. The Hotspurs fell victims at the hands of the Russian Club on Christmas Day by a lone goal.

Following is the standing of teams:—

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	D.	L.	GF.	GA.	Pts.
Lido	6	6	0	0	23	9	12
Seaforths	8	5	0	3	27	19	10
S.R.C.	7	4	1	2	23	21	9
S.F.X.	6	4	0	2	24	13	8
Surreys	7	3	2	2	27	23	8
A.S.F.	6	3	0	3	18	16	6
Tung Hwa	7	3	0	4	18	23	6
P.T.H.	6	2	1	3	13	22	5
Lusitano	7	2	0	5	15	25	4
Police	8	0	0	8	15	25	0

RESERVE DIVISION

Lido	5	5	0	0	24	4	10
East Surreys	6	4	2	0	20	8	10
Seaforths	5	2	3	0	13	6	7
S.R.C.	5	2	1	2	10	8	5
Lusitano	5	2	1	2	13	12	5
Tung Hwa	5	2	1	2	7	11	5
S.M.P.	5	1	2	2	8	17	4
S.F.X.	5	1	1	3	6	12	3
P.T.H.	6	0	2	3	7	21	2
A.S.F.	5	0	1	4	6	15	1

SECOND DIVISION

Area Details	3	3	0	0	24	5	6
J.R.C.	3	3	0	0	19	2	6
Sokol	4	3	0	1	18	6	6
French Forces	4	3	0	1	16	8	6
Rowing Club	3	2	0	1	20	3	4
Parks	4	2	0	2	14	15	4
Ching Hwa	4	1	0	3	7	15	2
Russ. Regt.	4	1	0	3	8	21	2
U.T. Party	3	0	0	3	7	17	0
J.A.C.	4	0	0	4	0	43	0

THIRD DIVISION

Maccabi	6	5	1	0	27	8	11
Three Cultures	6	5	1	0	19	8	11
Russian Club	6	4	2	0	13	8	10
Judeans	6	3	0	3	13	12	6
Old Westonians	6	3	0	3	14	16	6
Aurora	6	2	1	3	15	12	5
Xaverians	6	2	1	3	12	13	5
Oarsmen	5	2	0	3	13	16	4
Betar	6	1	2	3	11	14	4
Tung Wen	4	1	1	2	5	12	3
R.A.M.C.	6	1	0	5	10	21	2
Hotspurs	6	0	1	5	3	13	1

Rugby League Results

London, Dec. 26.

The following are the results of matches played today in the Rugby League:

Batley 5, Leeds 8
Bramley 10, Bradford 13
Broughton 2, Barrow 12
Castleford 13, York 2
Halifax 8, Huddersfield 10
Hull Kingston 7, Hull 14
Hunslet 29, Keighley 10
Salford 30, Warrington 4
St. Helens 9, Wigan 12
Wakefield 19, Dewsbury 0
Widnes 18, Liverpool Stanley 5
—Reuter.

Boxing Day Football In England

London, Dec. 28.

At Wolverhampton today, the Football League beat an All-British XI in a charity match by the odd goal in five. The proceeds of the game will be donated to the Red Cross Fund.

Results of Divisional League matches were:—

MIDLAND

West Bromwich 3, Birmingham 0

EAST MIDLAND

Sheffield Wednesday 2, Chesterfield 1

NORTH EASTERN

Bradford 3, Halifax 0

SOUTH WESTERN

Bristol City 1, Newport County 3
Swindon Town 1, Bristol Rovers 1
Clapton Orient 2, Charlton 7

SOUTH A

Clapton Orient 2, Charlton 7
Crystal Palace 0, Arsenal 3
Millwall 6, Southend 1
Norwich 3, Watford 2
Tottenham 0, West Ham 1

SOUTH B

Aldershot 3, Fulham 3
Bournemouth 2, Reading 1
Chelsea 3, Brighton 2
Queen's P.R. 5, Portsmouth 2
Southampton 2, Brentford 3
Results of other matches:
Barnsley 5, Burnley 1
Cardiff 2, Wolverhampton 5
Coventry 3, Notts County 2
Doncaster 2, Blackburn 1
Everton 2, Liverpool 1
Huddersfield 5, Sheffield United 0
Hull 0, Grimsby 0
Leeds 4, Bury 4
Lincoln 4, Mansfield 1
Manchester United 3, Manchester City 1
Newcastle 1, Middlesbrough 1
Northampton 5, Port Vale 1
Notts Forest 3, Leicester 1
Old Ham 0, Stockport 0
Preston 1, Blackpool 1
Rochdale 2, Crewe 2
Rotherham 1, Bradford City 3
York 3, Carlisle 3
Stoke 1, Bolton 5
Tranmere 6, Chester 3.—Reuter.

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2nd Day, Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1940 } promptly at 11.30 a.m. each day.
3rd Day, Saturday, Jan. 6, 1940 } The First Bell will be rung promptly at 1.15 p.m.

Entrance for Members of Shanghai Race Club and International Recreation Club and holders of Complimentary Tickets for Members' and Guests' Enclosure, 305 Bubbling Well Road.

Special Season Guests' Admission Tickets $10 each. For Single Day $5 each. Entrance for Holders of these Tickets, Archway Entrance, 304 Mohawk Road. These Tickets give admission to Members' Sections of Grand Stand and Pari-Mutuels, etc.

Entrance for Public, 304A Mohawk Road, Admission $1 each per day.

Men in uniform admitted free

CASH SWEEP TICKETS

All through Chances for Sweeps on each Race Day at $20 each.

Tickets for the Special Sweep on the New Year Grand Handicap on the Lines of the Champions Sweepstakes, New Year Race Meeting, January 6, 1940, are now obtainable. $10 each Ticket of Eleven Sections, Single Sections $1 each. 10% OF THE GROSS SWEEP WILL BE DONATED TO CHARITY.

For further information regarding Sweeps apply to

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Year's Outstanding Swimmer

Once a victim of infantile paralysis, Miss Merki this year won individual honours in the U.S. championships.

Rugby Union Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 26.

The following are the results of Rugby Union matches played today:

United Hospitals 6, Nondescripts 13
Aberavon 5, Bridgend 8
Bedford 6, Old Paulines 5
Coventry 11, Nuneaton 3
Gloucester 16, Cheltenham 3
Llanelly 13, Welsh Academicals 3
Moseley 19, Old Edwardians 3
Newport 5, Ponty Pool 9
Northampton 5, J. E. Thornloe's XV 21
Risca 3, Crosskeys 3
Swansea 3, Neath 5.—Reuter.

Canadian Golf Champion Arrives in Manila

U.S. Professionals Will Take Part in Tourney

Manila, Dec. 27.

Harold "Jug" McSpaden, American professional golfer and holder of the Canadian open championship, arrived here by California Clipper today to compete in the 10,000-peso Philippine Open Wack Wack Golf Club title series starting January 6.

The competition will be the keenest in history for the finest golfers in the annals of Manila have gathered for the series.

Al and Emery Zimmerman, leading American professionals, six Japanese crackerjacks, and the finest local players will be out to keep Norman von Nida, Australian holder of the Philippine title, from setting a record by gaining the championship for the third successive time.

Among the Japanese are Chin Seisui, runner-up to von Nida for the past two years, R. Asami, who tied with Seisui for second honours in 1939, T. Miyamoto, who was fourth, J. Morioka, who was fifth, and T. Toda, who was sixth.—United Press.

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Canidrome Results

1—300 yd. flat.—1, Reveille; 2, Flirting Fan.
Also ran:—Gator, Fearless Foe, Lady Troy, Golden Dawn.
Short head.—Time, 18.34.
Win, $29.80. Forecast (3-5) Div. $266.50.
Place, 1st $15.30; 2nd $26.40.

2—440 yd. flat.—1, Dan McGrew; 2, Captain Cora.
Also ran:—Cute Viscount, Great Regret, Golden Affair, Bright Jest.
1½ length.—Time, 26.50.
Place, 1st $9.70; 2nd $9.00.
Double Event 1/2 (3-3) Div. $46.70.

3—440 yd. flat.—1, Candid Answer; 2, Grand Sort.
Also ran:—Old Cashmere, Woodstock Warrior, Grey Vulcan, Grand Society.
A neck.—Time, 26.24.
Win, $47.40. Forecast (3-2) Div. $237.40.
Place, 1st $18.40; 2nd $23.50.
Double Event 2/3 (3-3) Div. $76.00.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Woodstock Glen; 2, Adam's Choice.
Also ran:—Naggie Dale, Shenkoland II, Mirette, Woodlark.
Short head.—Time, 30.74.
Win, $13.70. Forecast (2-4) Div. $175.00.
Double Event 3/4 (3-2) Div. $145.60.
Place, 1st $11.50; 2nd $16.90.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Careless Orontes; 2, Fresh Biscuit.
Also ran:—Marietta, Master Bill, Crummie, Wonderful Bernie.
2½ length.—Time, 30.51.
Win, $10.70. Forecast (4-1) Div. $66.20.
Place, 1st $9.10; 2nd $19.80.
Double Event 4/5 (2-4) Div. $17.70.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Feeling Fine; 2nd Diamond Queen.
Also ran:—Woosung, Sir Sewu, Mascaroon, Lunai Lily.
3 lengths.—Time, 30.17.
Win, $25.20. Forecast (6-5) Div. $87.10.
Place, 1st $13.90; 2nd $8.30.
Double Event 5/6 (4-6) Div. $55.10.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Flying Colleen; 2, Erin Beau.
Also ran:—Expansion, Spermin Lecitin, Fulover, Fire Brigade.
A neck.—Time, 30.42.
Win, $22.80. Forecast (2-3) Div. $63.30.
Place, 1st $8.90; 2nd $10.70.
Double Event 6/7 (6-2) Div. $36.20.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Wild Harmony; 2, Aramis.
Also ran:—Jackie's Girl, Lady's Man, Le Butin, Outlaw.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.42.
Win, $17.90. Forecast (6-3) Div. $174.40.
Place, 1st $10.50; 2nd $14.30.
Double Event 7/8 (2-6) Div. $29.20.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Speed Cop; 2, Buckhurst Hill.
Also ran:—Don't Fret, Lone Tess, Old Comrade, Simple Simon.
1 length.—Time, 30.37.
Win, $27.90. Forecast (4-6) Div. $135.20.
Place, 1st $10.80; 2nd $12.50.
Double Event 8/9 (6-4) Div. $63.80.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, High Brow; 2, Stormy Petrel.
Also ran:—Big Shot, Sou Mei, Chez Madelon, Beaconsfield.
Short head.—Time, 30.44.
Win, $36.30. Forecast (2-4) Div. $184.00.
Place, 1st $13.20; 2nd $13.50.
Double Event 9/10 (4-2) Div. $96.60.

11—500 yd. flat.—1, D.H., Lady Whirland and Careless Beauty.
Also ran:—Queen O'Jokers, Scented Bloom, Woodstock Rose, Clara Fante.
Dead heat.—Time, 29.96.
Win, $9.50 and $9.50. Forecast (3-5 and 5-3) Div. $45.10 and $27.90.
Place, 1st $7.60; 2nd $6.70.
Double Event 10/11 (2-3 and 2-5) Div. $35.10 and $14.10.

12—500 yd. flat.—1, Markanson; 2, Madam's Hope.
Also ran:—Grand Slam, Flying Duchess, Bluedale, O.I.C.
Short head.—Time, 30.04.
Win, $26.50. Forecast (6-3) Div. $119.50.
Place, 1st $12.70; 2nd $13.60.
Double Event 11/12 (3-6 and 5-6) Div. $29.80 and $16.80.

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Japanese Suffer Big Losses On Indo-China Border

Chungking Claims Attempt to Seize Railway Junction Foiled; Fighting in Suiyuan

Chungking, Dec. 27.

THE Japanese attempt to reach the French Indo-China border by occupying Lungchow and Chengnankwan has ended in disaster, according to Chinese reports received here. These claim that, in a big battle in the vicinity of Yashuitang, on the highway to the Indo-China border south of Lungchow, the Chinese forces, after 24 hours' desperate fighting, have driven the Japanese back. The Japanese are reported to have lost over 1,000 dead and many more wounded. The same despatches reveal that Japanese infantry, artillery and cavalry units moved south-westward from Nanning over a week ago along a highway in the direction of Chengnankwan, via the towns of Suilu, Szeloh and Minkiang.

After reaching Minkiang, a Japanese column is said to have headed straight for the highway to the Indo-China border south of Lungchow.

The opinion is expressed here that the Japanese desperate drive towards Lungchow was aimed partly to reach Chengnankwan, important terminus of the railway to Hanoi, and partly to draw Chinese forces away from the attack on Nanning.

In a statement, the Chinese Military authorities say that after the "crushing defeat at Yashuitang, the Japanese are retreating eastward, with the Chinese in hot pursuit."

Fighting in Suiyuan

Chinese forces in Suiyuan on Christmas Eve broke through the Japanese lines and reached the suburbs of Kweisui, capital of Suiyuan, where fighting is going on, according to Chinese reports.

After the occupation of Paotou by the Chinese on December 21, they declare, Japanese troops at Tachingshan rushed reinforcements to the town, but the detachments were ambushed by the Chinese.

The Japanese, supported by artillery and aircraft, are said to have launched a counter-attack on December 24, but are reported to have been driven back.

In Kwangtung and Kiangsi, the Japanese are at present counter-attacking, Chinese dispatches state.

After the occupation of Chingan, north-west of Nanchang, by the Chinese, Japanese forces at Fengsin are said to have counter-attacked and recaptured Chingan city from the Chinese following street fighting. The Chinese, the dispatches add, are at present holding on to the hills south-west of the town.

Three Japanese Columns

In Kwangtung, Japanese forces north of Canton are reported to be pushing northward in three columns in a counter-offensive.

One column, advancing northward along the Canton-Hankow railway towards Yuantang, is stated to have crossed the Pa River on Sunday.

Another column is reported to be moving towards Tsunghua, east of the railway, while the third column is pushing towards Lungmoon to encircle Tsunghua from the north-east.

In South-East Shansi, the Chinese claim the occupation of Lichen on December 23 and of Tungyangkwan the following day.

Nanping Battle Described

Chinese troops are using smoke and coloured flags in day-time, and lurid green and red lights at night, as signals for co-ordinating the movements of units in the battle in the hills north-east of Nanning, writes a Chinese war correspondent from Chinese trenches in the vicinity of Kunlunkwan.

In a dispatch dated December 23, he says: "Chinese forces this morning tightened the cordon in the vicinity of Kunlunkwan. I observed the Chinese operations on the front north of Kunlunkwan from 9 a.m. to noon. When fighting slackened a truck took me along a peaceful highway towards the pass to a spot where big guns were roaring and from where Japanese machine-gun fire was clearly heard. We climbed up a steep hill where knee-high dried weeds and a strong wind retarded our progress.

Hill Captured

"Under cover of a heavy artillery bombardment, a Chinese detachment from Chiutang was advancing northward, while another Chinese unit from Pingyang was pushing southward to sandwich the enemy at Kunlungwan. Each time the hill was captured, smoke and flames went up followed by the planting of flags of different colours as signals. Lurid green and red lights shot to the sky.

"I saw Chinese tanks crawling up towards the famous pass along a highway which winds in and out of interlocked hills, slopes and highlands, but otherwise the movements of the troops engaged in the battle could be rarely seen.

"Japanese warplanes zoomed overhead twice, but no bombs were dropped, and Chinese soldiers sat calmly inside their trenches by the edge of the hill."—Reuter.

U.S. Attitude to Japan Clarified

Statement by Sen. Pittman On Embargo Expected to Define Position

Washington, Dec. 27.

An authoritative guidance to the Congressional attitude against placing an embargo on Japan is expected today when Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, is expected to arrive here to prepare for the opening of Congress. He is expected to study the action desired for his projected embargo against Japan.

Most impartial observers said the Congressional attitude toward the proposed embargo remains unformulated, and therefore any Administration request is expected to be extremely important in the crystallization of views.

They predicted that Congress almost certainly would refuse at the present juncture to enact any broad mandatory embargo against Japan and would be reluctant even to authorize an unlimited embargo. However, they said, Congress might be prepared to authorize a limited embargo on certain war materials such as scrap iron, octane, gasoline, some other petroleum products, munitions and manufacturing machinery.

Conditional Consent

Authorization of such an embargo would merely empower President Roosevelt to apply it in the event that negotiations with Japan are unsatisfactory.

It was suggested that if Japanese-American negotiations proceed with the hopes of better success, it is likely that Congress will not take any immediate step, but will be prepared to act when necessary.—United Press.

"Sincerity" Recognized

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

The United States' attitude toward Japan is improving because the "United States is lately recognizing Japan's sincerity," Admiral K. Nomura, Foreign Minister, was reported to have told the Cabinet today.—United Press.

Minefield Will Be Guard to Shipping

Approaches to Britain Will Be Under Eyes of Navy in North Sea

London, Dec. 27.

The details of the great new minefield to be laid in the North Sea by Great Britain were given today by the "News-Chronicle," following an announcement of the plan by the Admiralty.

The mine barrier, which will be laid off the east coast of Britain, will be 500 miles long and from 30 to 40 miles deep. It will parallel the coast at a distance of about eight miles from a point off Kinnaird Head, Scotland, to the estuary of the Thames.

The new barrier is destined to ensure the safety of navigation by commercial shipping in the North Sea, as well as lay a trap for German submarines and mine-laying planes. The mines will be placed in such a fashion as to make it virtually impossible for the enemy to cross the field.

The "News-Chronicle" pointed out that Britain is at present protected by only three mine-fields—far too few in the circumstances. One of these, 85 miles long and 20 miles deep, is off Flamborough Head. Another protects the Thames estuary, while the third is in the English Channel.

Detours Essential

The newspaper further pointed out that all ships coming from Denmark and Scandinavian ports to the east coast of England would have to skirt the northern extremity of the mine-field, and come through the Firth of Moray. Ships from Holland and Belgium would have to go around the southern edge of the barrier to the Thames Estuary.

British and neutral shipping will be able to use a mine-free channel in the south of the field, stretching eight miles from the coast of Scotland to the Thames. This channel will be amply protected by British war-ships against the German seaplanes which might attempt to drop mines.

Navigation in the North Sea will be generally confined to certain well-defined channels, the "News-Chronicle" concluded, where the British fleet and air force will be able to protect them most effectively.—Havas.

Britain to Make Large Purchases in U.S.

Care Taken Not to Bid Against Small Nations

London, Dec. 27.

The British commission entrusted with the task of purchasing war materials from the United States is about to make certain important purchases of war-planes and other armaments, Mr. Arthur Purvis, director of the commission and of the Canadian Industries, Ltd., revealed today.

Mr. Purvis emphasized that "the closest possible association between the British and French commissions will be complete within a month or so."

"There will be no bidding between Britain and France, and we are careful not to overbid against other countries like Finland, Rumania, or Sweden," Mr. Purvis concluded.—Havas.

Moscow-Berlin Service By Air Starting

Moscow, Dec. 27.

The bonds between Soviet Russia and Germany have been tightened by the conclusion of a convention to establish a regular mail and passenger air service between Moscow and Berlin. The service will start on January 3.—Reuter.

Danube's Freezing Hits Reich Trade

River Transportation Now Impossible

Paris, Dec. 26.

With central and south-eastern Europe in the icy grip of a bitterly cold winter, the Danube River, main trade route of the Reich on the Continent, is frozen over and Germany is suffering dire consequences in the form of lost commerce.

Commenting on this, French observers pointed out today, however, that this loss may be compensated in part by the newly-announced opening of railway traffic between Germany and Soviet Russia in Poland.

But at the same time, the Reich cannot expect much from the U.S.S.R. because the latter now is engaged in a costly campaign in Finland.

Since Russia, even before becoming embroiled in Finland, did not give Germany the aid the latter expected, it also was stressed here that the position now, with large military forces needing supplies in the cold wastes of Finland, will be worse for the Reich.

Russia, instead of being the supplier, may even become the consumer, needing aid from Germany. —Havas.

U.S. Seaman's Life Saved By Army Planes

Rushed to Hospital for Emergency Operation

Manila, Dec. 27.

Two U.S. Army twin-engined bombers of the Martin type saved the life of seaman W. G. Peck of the U.S.S. Isabel, who was taken acutely ill of appendicitis on December 10, it was revealed today.

Seaman Peck was taken sick while the Isabel was carrying the United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, Mr. Francis B. Sayre, on his recent inspection tour of Mindinao. Discovering there were no facilities for an emergency operation, the Navy asked the U. S. Army Air Corps to transport the sick man to Manila.

Seaman Peck is recovering in a hospital here today.—United Press.

Japan and Hungary Conclude Pact

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

Approval of a Japanese-Hungarian Cultural Agreement was given today by the Japanese Government.

The agreement, which aims at the promotion of friendly relations and co-operation in cultural work between the two countries, was signed on November 15, 1938 in Budapest by Mr. Hakime Matsumiya, who at that time was Japanese Minister to Hungary, and Count Paul Teleki, Minister of Public Worship and Education of Hungary. The arrangements were concluded this month through an exchange of notes. —Domei.

Hitler Spent Xmas At the Front

Many Promotions in Nazi Forces Made; Germany Has Quiet Festival

Stockholm, Dec. 27.

Germany spent a quiet Christmas, with no war news except a reported British Christmas eve air raid on Heligoland Bight, according to the Swedish newspaper "Aftonbladet."

Herr Hitler spent Christmas with one of his staffs at the front, travelling very secretly by armoured train across a very strongly guarded railroad. He is expected to return to Berlin shortly, but his plans are being kept very secret.

According to the official German News Agency, on his way to Spicheren, in Lorraine, three miles south of Saarbruecken, the German Chancellor crossed the frontier and promoted the captain commanding the sector to the rank of major.

Herr Hitler's whole tour is said to have been marked by promotions and presentations to troops.

The Pope's appeal, continues the "Aftonbladet," has attracted much attention in Germany, rousing hopes that some sort of result will be the outcome.

The people of Germany still cherish hopes that something will turn up promising peace, instead of real military operations.

The opinion is now seldom heard that a decisive result can be expected rapidly by military operations. It is feared that a prolongation of the war will cause difficulties for Germany.

Spirits were depressed in Berlin during the Christmas week-end, mostly because the black-out was combined with unpleasant weather. Christmas fare was poor, though nobody actually needed to suffer a shortage.—Reuter.

Chita Conference Comes To Preliminary Accord

Moscow, Dec. 27.

After eight meetings at Chita, the joint Soviet, Japanese, Mongolian and Manchoukuo frontier commission has concluded its discussions.

Foundation for a settlement on January 7, when the same commission will be convened at Harbin, is reported to have been laid. It is stated that agreed frontier points will then be charted on a map.

The opening session at Harbin will coincide with the arrival of a Japanese trade mission in Moscow for conferences with the Foreign Trade Commissar, M. Mikoyan.—Reuter.

Couple to Fly to Wed In Hongkong

Manila, Dec. 27.

Miss Joan Sibbald and Mr. Richard C. Deane will fly to Hongkong on January 2 where they will be married. Both are well-known members of Manila's British community with friends in Shanghai and Hongkong.—United Press.

Japanese Women Write Anthology to Troops

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

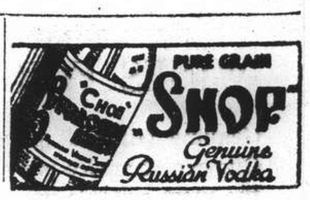
An anthology prepared and published by a group of Japanese pen women will be distributed to officers and men of the Japanese Army and Navy, the War Office announced today. More than 100,000 copies of the book have been printed and will be sent to the officers and men on China fronts and wounded officers and men recovering in various hospitals.

The anthology will be the pen women's contribution to the celebration of the 2,600th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Empire next spring. Miss Shigure Hasegawa and other pen women called at the War Office yesterday and were authorized to distribute the book.—Domei.

Swiss to Fire on Planes Over Their Territory

Berne, Dec. 27.

According to a notice issued by the General Staff, foreign planes flying over Swiss territory are liable to be fired on without special warning.—Reuter.



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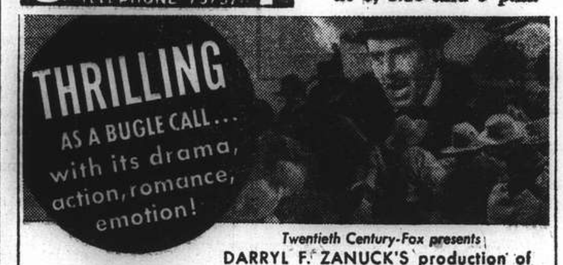

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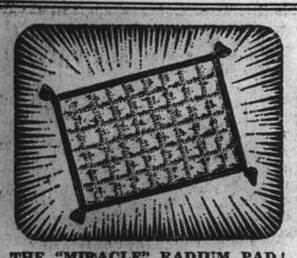

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DEATH

BERGE.—On December 24, 1939, at his home, 61 Sun Avenue, CLEMENT PETERSEN BERGE, a Norwegian subject, aged 52 years, Chinese Maritime Customs Service, retired. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held today, Thursday, December 28, 1939 at the Hungjao Road Cemetery at 4 p.m.

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FAVOURABLE SITUATION

The claim of British observers, that the events of the week immediately preceding Christmas proved that the Allied Navies had complete mastery of the seas, and that the Royal Navy and Royal Airforce, while acting as separate units, were co-operating with the best results, is clearly justified. The facts have plainly demonstrated the effectiveness of the convoy system, while the recent landing of Canadian contingents in Britain fully proves that it is as possible now as it was in the last war to transport large bodies of men across the Atlantic without suffering casualties. The Germans have made much of the claim that they have secured control over the North Sea basing their contention upon the fact that the British Navy is not using Scapa Flow as its headquarters, and that German aircraft have been able to make uninterrupted flights over the North Sea. It has to be remembered that in the early stages of the last war Lord Jellicoe made the same decision as has been made on this occasion, transferring his base to Lough Swilly, which, while it meant that the fleet was a long way away from the normal scene of its operations, did not in any way moderate the effectiveness of the control which the British Navy exercised. The recent air-raids over Heligoland have demonstrated the use of new tactics in which the close co-operation between the air and naval forces tends to keep German naval units bottled up in their naval bases, and it is being shown that the German Navy is being reduced to a state of idleness quite comparable with that which was imposed upon it for the greater portion of the last war. Short of actual destruction of the enemy war vessels their reduction to a state of inactivity is a signal success, and the German claim to control over the North Sea is just as absurd as its other claim to control the Atlantic. The effectiveness of the Allied blockade of Germany is apparent practically every day, and while the amounts of enemy goods which are seized must naturally decrease because they are no longer being shipped in similar quantities, the fact that this is so is in itself the best test of the naval efficiency of the Allies.

There is very little in the German claims that because an odd raider managed to get through the Allied blockade it is ineffective. The advent of the aeroplane has considerably altered naval tactics, and whereas during the last war it was possible to maintain the blockade closer to the German coasts, the distances which the aeroplane can cover make it imperative for the naval forces to operate a great distance away from the enemy, and consequently along much longer lines. It is not, therefore, surprising that German vessels do occasionally succeed in passing through the blockade. Indeed it would be more surprising if they did not, for whatever blame may be laid at the doors of various officers of the German Navy it cannot be gainsaid that they are both courageous, and able enough to take the risks which the blockade involves for them. On the other hand there has been no lack of initiative on the part of British vessels. The feats of the Ursula and the Salmon are in accordance with the highest British traditions. The former penetrated the German minefields in the North Sea, entered the shallow waters of the mouth of the Elbe, slipped past a cordon of German destroyers, and, risking destruction from the air, torpedoed, and sank a cruiser of the Koeln class. The Salmon succeeded in accounting for one German cruiser, and damaging another all in circumstances of very considerable danger, thus doing very great damage to the German fleet as a fighting whole, and considerably reducing the strength with which Germany embarked upon hostilities. It may safely be said that, making all due allowance for the damage inflicted by the Germans upon the British navy, and that damage is small as compared with that which was done in the early weeks of the last war, the balance is decidedly in favour of the Allied forces. They undoubtedly have control of the seas, and are exercising it to the fullest advantage, while the German Navy is not even safe behind its own minefields. In addition to that the greater proportion of the submarines with which Germany entered the war have been accounted for, and while she can undoubtedly replace them fairly quickly she has yet to surmount the difficulty of providing fully trained submarine crews.

In the air the British forces have demonstrated that they are quite as good, and, in all probability, superior to their German opponents. The description of the air battle which occurred on December 18 clearly demonstrates the excellence of British material and men. The British bombers carried out their mission over Heligoland with the completest success, resisting all German attempts to break up their formation, and in a heavy action demonstrating complete ability to meet and fight off the very energetic attacks which were made by the Germans. The question as to who is to have control of the air has yet to be decided. There is at the moment no pressing need that this shall be decided immediately, for it is quite obvious that with the enormous strides which are being made in the production of British machines, and the development of new models based upon the experiences of this present war, the delay is more to the advantage of the Allies than it is to the Germans. That issue, however, will have to be fought out sooner or later, and upon it depends much of the future of the war. Should the Allies secure that command then it may reasonably be expected that the blockade of Germany will be drawn closer than it is at present, and that the same rigid control of the North Sea will be established which marked the conclusion of the last war. There is, then, every reason in the world for looking forward to the future with the completest confidence. It would, of course, be foolish to underestimate the enemy, but signs are apparent that the Allies are laying solid foundations upon which the fabric of victory will be built, and there is every reason for believing observers to be correct in their judgment of the situation when they hold that exchanges up to the present have considerably favoured the Allied cause, and that the results obtained are in every way excellent, and in fact much better than could have been anticipated in the early days of the hostilities.

Australia is There

A popular song during the last World War had the refrain "Australia will be there" and she was. Already in this war, answering the call of the Mother Country, Australia is there with an air squadron and a promise of a large contingent of troops in the early spring. The Australian air squadron will be attached to the British Coastal Command and in this capacity will be the first Dominion to have its own complete air unit in the European theatre of war. Using "Sunderland" flying boats with which they are equipped by the Commonwealth Government, members of this unit will cooperate with the British Coastal Command in general reconnaissance work which is arduous and requires a high degree of navigational ability. Since the beginning of the war, aircraft of the Coastal Command, ranging wide over the North Sea, have flown 3,000,000 miles in all kinds of weather—and the North Sea has only one variety and that is generally bad—and machines have often been compelled to remain aloft all day. Always vigilant, they search the sea for U-boats and enemy warships and in the air for hostile aircraft, while another branch of service is air protection for convoys and British and neutral shipping. The Coastal Command has been responsible for other services such as the rescue of the crew of the British tramp steamer Kensington Court, torpedoed by a German U-boat. The Royal Australian Air Force is well acquainted with the problems of oversea navigation and reconnaissance although they will be flying in new conditions in their patrols of the English coast. The "Sunderland" flying boats are formidable aircraft specially suited to long-range reconnaissance work over the sea. They are high-wing monoplanes weighing 20 tons with a wing spread of 1,500 square feet and their lift is so exceptional that they take off in 33 seconds. With four Britol "Pegasus" radial engines developing 3,360 horse power, they have two decks and carry a crew of six men although they are able to transport 20 more in addition. Standard armament they carry is powerful and comprehensive enough for defence and attack.

Fighting in Finland

The recent decision of the Finnish Government still further to evacuate the inhabitants of Viipuri (Viborg), even after all but about 7,000 of its 80,000 inhabitants had left the city, is obviously justified by the manner in which the Russians are seeking to reduce it to the condition to which the German air arm reduced Warsaw. Bombing and shelling of the empty town has been going on for some days past, and a flourishing city is in danger of becoming no more than a mass of ruins. It is reported that, up to a late hour on Tuesday, only two civilians had been killed as a result of this bombardment, showing that the Russian intention to slaughter the civilian population has been completely thwarted. Meanwhile the Russians are maintaining their onslaughts on the Mannerheim Line along a 60-mile front in the Karelian Isthmus, subjecting the fortification to an intensive bombardment in the hope of being able to break through. There is every indication that, now other theatres of war have been reduced to a state of inactivity because of the cold, the Russians are striving their utmost to make progress towards Viipuri and Helsinki, and are concentrating all their efforts to that end. The casualties which are being inflicted upon them suggest that the Soviet troops are resorting to the old-fashioned mass attacks, which are rarely successful nowadays against well placed machine-gun nests, and the fact that these latter have not been wiped out suggests that Soviet artillery preparation is not so efficient as it should be, or that it is unable to smash a sufficiently wide opening in the system of defences which go to make up the Mannerheim Line. Indeed they are faced with precisely the same task as either the Allies or the Germans would be in trying to force the Western Wall or the Maginot Line, and there is every reason to expect that, before the Mannerheim Line can be successfully breached, the Russians will have paid an enormous toll in casualties. The only question which arises is whether the Finns will have enough material to keep up the defence sufficiently long to wear down Russian patience, but if the nations which sympathize with Finland go to their assistance before the spring that point should be settled satisfactorily to the brave little people who are putting up so magnificent a show.

The Messerschmidt Fighter

It will be remembered that one of the prewar boasts of the Reich was that their aeroplanes, and in particular their Messerschmidts would be able to keep the air over Germany free from invaders. Actual experience has clearly shown that that boast was incapable of justification, for Allied machines have flown over German repeatedly since the outbreak of war. There was naturally much speculation as to really how good the Messerschmidts, and while before the war experts expressed their doubts as to their efficiency, their opinions were for the most part based upon hearsay information, which could not always be regarded as wholly trustworthy. The Allies are now in possession of an undamaged Messerschmidt, owing to a German pilot landing his machine at an Allied aerodrome in France, under the impression that he was behind his own lines. The result is that experts have flown the machine, and have clearly proved that it is not so formidable a weapon as was originally claimed. It has been shown that the Messerschmidt fighter is actually slower than many of Great Britain's bombers, while German fliers have been reported as complaining that they were difficult to manœuvre and scathingly dubbing them "flying bricks." Tests with the machine have shown that at certain speeds the short, metal wings of the craft flap, and that it is almost impossible to turn quickly,—an essential point in air fighting. The maximum safe speed is reported to be lower than 300 miles an hour, and at that speed the whole aircraft is vibrating and rattling dangerously.

One interesting feature of the engine in the German machine is that it is designed to work on a petrol a little more potent that that used in a high efficiency sports car, while the British engines are designed to use the most efficient fuel possible. Much information has been secured from the various machines which have crashed behind Allied lines, but the capture of an undamaged fighter has permitted Allied experts to secure a large amount of valuable information and to place this aeroplane, one of Herr Hitler's much vaunted weapons, exactly in the category to which it belongs. Incidentally it also serves to show that expert pre-war opinion as to the real efficiency of the German air-arm may not, after all be so very far out.

IN PARENTHESIS

Alfie Comfortable

SHE ran into the shelter with two gas-masks. "How do you come to have two?" we asked her.

"One belongs to our Alfie," she said. "He looked so peaceful in bed, I hadn't the heart to wake him."

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One-Man Black-Out

WE Bus conductors hear some funny things. The other night at dusk, just before the bus started off from the terminus, a voice shouted: "Wait a minute! Here comes the black-out!" The speaker sprang aboard. He was a smiling Negro!

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No Gratitude

RECRUITS were complaining of the queer flavour of the meat being served for dinner. On drawing the orderly's attention to it, they were told: "Go on, get it eaten. You would have been pleased to have been given that in 1914."

Back came the reply in broad Yorkshire, "Aye, it must have been fresh then."

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Playing Darts

A YOUNG militiaman was having his first day's instruction on the rifle range. All his shots went on the outer ring of the target.

His instructor became impatient and said, "Come on, man, get a bull."

"Oh, can I do that?" said the recruit; "I thought I had to get a double first."

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We Are at War

THE small son was feeling that the house had become very empty. His two brothers had been evacuated and his father had been called up.

He overheard his mother speaking of the possibility that soldiers might be billeted on them. She said, "I really don't see how I could find room for them."

"Oh, yes you could, Mummy," he said; "One could sleep with you, one with Grandma, and two more in the boys' bed."

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Low Trick

Two people spent over an hour one night making sure that their house was completely blacked out. When they were sure everything was done, they sat down and read their newspapers.

A knock came at the door. The husband rose and found a warden there, who said, "You have a crack of light showing underneath the door."

"Blimey," said the husband, "have you started creeping round on your hands and knees?"

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Better Man

SEEKING to become a special constable, a man was being interviewed by the police inspector. The applicant was a meek little fellow.

"What we need," said the inspector, "is somebody who's alert and suspicious, particularly at night.

"We want someone who thinks the worst of everybody, some one who's always watching and listening and poking his nose in everywhere.

"We want someone who's big and beefy, who won't take any backchat; someone who's not afraid of any man, and who'll plunge into any scrap that comes along.

"In fact, we want someone who's a cross between a prize-fighter and a watch-dog."

The meek little man walked away.

"Stick around," he called over his shoulder. "I'll send my wife along."

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min. 37.0	Max. 56.0
Same date, 1938	Min. 27.5	Max. 41.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 30.9	Max. 58 5
Same date, 1938	Min. 26.6	Max. 43.5

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 26th:—High and steady pressure over China, Korea and Japan. Cold and fine weather with regular winter monsoon along the China Coast.

State on the morning of the 27th:—Fine and cold weather. West-north-westerly breezes. High and steady pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine. cold and hazy weather with regular winter monsoon over Shantung, our regions and the Eastern Sea. —Siccawei Observatory.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

TO THE EUROPEAN REFUGEE SCHOOL HEATING FUND

A missionary	$50.00

TO THE LIMBLESS FUND

Charlie	$5.00

TO THE LESTER CHINESE HOSPITAL

Hermfred	$20.00

TO THE FRIENDS OF FINLAND FUND

Hermfred	$20.00

TO THE EUROPEAN REFUGEE MATERNIY WARD

Messrs. Arthur and Theodore Sopher	$50.00
Mrs. Ellis Hayim	500.00
Mrs. A. M. Sopher 12 Baby blankets	

TO THE INSTITUTION FOR THE CHINESE BLIND

Miss Beulah Chang	$25.00
L. Y. Ho	25.00
Y. Lewis Mason	20.00
Moore Memorial Church	50.00
Yang Wei-Ping	100.00

TO THE I. C. SCHOOL FUND

C. F. Mac Rae	$100.00
Mr. and Mrs. Randall Gould	50.00
Willy Frisch	5.00
F. Kauffmann, in lieu of Xmas cards	20.00
The Shanghai American School and Community Church with Christmas Fund	160.00

TO THE I. C. MILK FUND

The Emigrants' Thriftshop	$5.00
Ing. Hermann Srulowitz	2.00
Dr. Med. Fritz Schwarz	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. L. Klausner	20.00
A. B.	100.00
The Shanghai American School and Community Church with Christmas Fund	50.00

TO ST. JOSEPH'S CONVENT

John Cheng	$5.00
H. P. Molloy	20.00
Mr. Fraser	10.00
Mr. Morgan	5.00
C. T. Eager	5.00
Mr. Bone	10.00
J. Stevens	5.00
E. A. Dahlin	5.00
Mr. Dahl	1.00
Mr. Leslie	5.00
F. H. Sadler	2.50
A. S. Anderson	2.50
N. E. Pharazyn	5.00
W. Hagen	2.00
W. Barling	2.00
Razoy	4.00
2 others	2.00
T. H. Tucker	1.00
Swanson	1.00
J. T. Ephgrave	1.00
Burgess	2.00
Marshall	5.00
W. R. Davies	2.00
MacAlister	

Soviets Try To Blast Way Through Finns

Heavy Guns Bombard Mannerheim Line; Many Cities Bombed; Russians Forced to Fall Further Back in North; Moscow Reaction

With the Finnish Forces on the Karelian Isthmus, Dec. 27.

RUSSIAN guns and troops hammered the Mannerheim line on the twenty-first day of battle yesterday along the 60-mile Karelian Isthmus front.

The Finns still held the rocky, forested ramparts in 10 degrees below zero weather. The thunder of the guns could be heard as far back from the front as twenty miles. The air constantly quivered from the concussions.

Obviously the Red Army chiefs are bent upon making Viipuri another martyred city, like Rheims during the Great War. For the third day Soviet planes bombed the city and for the fourth night Russian big Berthas, long-range guns from 20 miles away, hurled eight-inch shells into and around the town. Viipuri is normally a busy, industrial city of 80,000 people.

Yesterday's clear weather was unusual for this season, and the Soviet planes took advantage of it. A total of about 40 Soviet planes carried out five separate raids over Viipuri. Two flights were evidently reconnaisance expeditions and three groups showered bombs on the empty city. Twenty-five bombs fell in one neighbourhood alone and smashed a number of residences and restaurants. Late last night only two civilians had been reported killed.

Viipuri was virtually deserted yesterday as Finnish authorities ordered a precautionary evacuation of the city following two days of almost incessant artillery and aeroplane bombardment.

Everyone who could be spared was sent from the city last night. A special train carried 4,000 evacuees from Viipuri. The city had previously been evacuated down to 7,000 persons.

Porvoo Bombed

Meanwhile, Soviet bombers dropped ten bombs at Porvoo, 30 miles from Helsinki, killing nine persons and wounding 20. Only two of the bombs exploded.

Official sources said that during the Christmas week-end, a total of 42 civilian centres in southern Finland were bombed. The intensified Red attack seemed to indicate that the Russians were attempting to speed their drive toward Viipuri and Helsinki on the Isthmus.

On Monday Russian forces tried to cross the Ubanto River at four points —Haitermaas, Akkola, Kuija and Tolosula—but were repulsed at each place, it was officially learned yesterday. Seven hundred Russians were killed and a total of 23 Russian planes were shot down, the Finns claimed.

Five Russian infantry guns, sixteen machine-guns, and five quick firing guns were captured and several Red tanks were wrecked, it was officially claimed. Fifty Russians were taken prisoner, and twenty Russian trucks were destroyed, the Finns said.—United Press.

Planes Fly Over Helsinki

Helsinki, Dec. 27.

The air-raid warning was again sounded in the capital yesterday. Six Soviet planes flew over, but no bombs were dropped.

Christmas Day proved particularly disastrous for the Soviet forces in Finland, according to a Finnish communiqué detailing developments on December 25. Among other things, the Soviet are claimed to have lost "at least 23, possibly 26, planes" within a few hours.

Of these, five are said to have been shot down by coastal batteries in the Gulf of Finland, four by coastal vessels, and four by coastal batteries on Lake Ladoga.

In addition, the Finns are stated to have repulsed, with heavy losses, all Soviet attacks in the Karelian Isthmus.

Supported by tanks, guns, and planes, the Soviets launched their main attack against Lake Suvanto, which they tried to cross at four points. But the Finns maintained a withering fire, and frustrated all attempts.

Fighting on the eastern front on Christmas Day also favoured the Finns, it is said. In patrol and artil-

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Moscow Comments On Allied Aid

Means of Help to Finns Debated; Paris Journals Deplore Delay

Moscow, Dec. 26.

The subject of Allied aid to Finland against the Red invaders was broached in the Soviet press today for the first time since the Allied Supreme War Council was reported to have reached a decision to help Finns materially.

The "Krasnaya Zviesda," official Red Army newspaper, devoted a great deal of space to the question and described in detail the means whereby practical aid may be extended to the "White bandits of Finland."

European and American munitions manufacturers, the organ added, are preparing now to draw new profits out of the war in Finland.

Other newspapers, too, dealt with this subject, but generally limited themselves to articles on the financial and economic ties binding Finland to Britain and France.—Havas.

Help Essential

Paris, Dec. 27.

Most of the papers here this morning stressed the necessity of helping Finland in her gallant resistance against the Soviet invasion.

"The Finns have been able to place into immediate use a rather small but well-trained army," the "Populaire" declared, "but these high-quality soldiers will wear themselves out within a short time, and their arms and munitions still sooner. Russia can wait and exert continuous pressure against Finland which would exhaust the latter in the end. Therefore, it is necessary to extend aid to Finland in three directions: men, war material, and finances."

The paper pointed out that Finland has only from 120,000 to 130,000 men in reserve and needs tens of thousands of trained men.

No Delay Possible

As for any assistance from the other Scandinavian states, "Le Populaire" stressed that Stalin's request to Hitler that he exert pressure upon these countries should result in the Nordic states refusing to undertake any concrete action in favour of Finland.

"Le Figaro" emphasized that despite the gallant fight being put up by the Finns, the overwhelming numerical superiority of the Russians will be too much to overcome.

"Therefore, platonic demonstrations of friendship are not sufficient," the paper added. "Finland must be helped as soon as possible and by every means."—Havas.

China Customs Returns Published

Favourable Balance Shown In "Free China"

Chungking, Dec. 27

The Customs returns for the first three quarters of 1939, both for "Free China" and the occupied areas, were published in the Bank of China's financial review today.

According to these statistics, the Customs in "Free China" registered a favourable international balance of CN$33,645,000, while the figures for the occupied areas, including the districts of Shanghai and Kowloon, show an unfavourable foreign balance of CN$405,115,000.

The adverse balance of international payments in the Customs under Japanese occupation amounted to CN$269,173,000, while that in the ports of Shanghai and Kowloon, "which suffered more or less from Japanese interference," is estimated at CN$155,942,000.

Chungking shows an adverse balance of CN$1,533,000 while Pakhoi and Mengtze both record favourable balances of over CN$13,000,000.

Wenchow has a favourable balance of over CN$8,000,000, while Tientsin snows an adverse balance of nearly CN$200,000,000 "owing to large imports of Japanese goods into North China."

Kiaochow, Chingwantao and Chefoo show adverse balances of CN$45,000,000, CN$13,000,000 and CN$12,500,000, respectively.—Reuter.

British Diplomat Now Released by Nazis

London, Dec. 27.

Mr. Gordon Vereker, Acting Counsellor of the British Embassy at Moscow, detained in Germany since December 18, has been released, according to information reaching here today.

Mr. Vereker was detained by the German authorities, after an Esthonian vessel, in which he was returning to England, was intercepted by a German warship and ordered to a German port.

He was on his way to London to receive his appointment as British Minister to Bolivia.—Reuter.

U.S. Envoy to Belgium Given New Post

Washington, Dec. 27.

Mr. Joseph Davies, United States Ambassador to Belgium, has been appointed Special Assistant Secretary of State to deal with war emergency problems and international trade negotiations.—Reuter.

Russian Attacks Prove Unsuccessful

With Finnish Army on Karelian Isthmus, Dec. 27.

Using new methods, the Russians today resumed their attempt to crash through the left of the Mannerheim Line in the hope to make the whole of the main defence system untenable. But the Finns weeks ago had foreseen these tactics and were well prepared. Red Army chiefs tried crossing on the ice of the system of inter-connected lakes which hitherto had narrowly canalized their attacks. Thus far their efforts have broken down.—United Press.

Parties Demand Resignation of Tokyo Cabinet

Resolution Passed at Diet Members' Meeting

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

Agitation for the resignation of the Government has been started by Japanese political parties.

At a private conference of 250 members of the Lower House yesterday, a resolution was passed that the Cabinet should consider the question of resigning before the resumption of the Diet session on January 21.

Members of five political parties attended the meeting, which was played up in virtually all newspapers this morning.

The "Kokumin Shimbun" bluntly declares that sentiment among political parties is that the Cabinet has forfeited the confidence of the nation because of its many blunders. This sentiment, it adds, threatens to intensify.

The "Yomiuri Shimbun" says "a storm is bound to break out in the Diet. Opposition to the Government reached fever pitch, at which the Government may find itself fatally stricken."

The movement, according to the "Asahi Shimbun," was not engineered by political schemers, but has automatically grown out of actual visits paid by Diet members to their constituencies, where they saw actual conditions.—Reuter.

Serious Consideration

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

It was necessary for the Government to give serious consideration to a resolution of non-confidence in the Abe Cabinet adopted by 250 Diet members yesterday, the "Nichi-Nichi" declared editorially today.

The Premier, Gen. Nobuyuki Abe, called on Mr. Kurahei Yuasa, Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, and talked with him for more than an hour this afternoon.

The "Nichi-Nichi" pointed out that the matter had not become a parliamentary issue yet. It recalled that the leaders of five political parties had promised to support the Government. The non-confidence resolution could be regarded as directed not only against the Abe Cabinet but also the party leaders, the daily stated.

Full preparations must be made, the "Nichi-Nichi" said, to prevent another Cabinet crisis in six months or a year. A crisis should not be allowed to occur at this juncture, the daily declared, especially since measures adopted by the Abe Cabinet to insure steady supplies and better distribution of food and fuel were being carried out successfully.

The resolution passed at the special meeting attended by 250 Diet members suggested that the Abe Cabinet give serious consideration to the desirability of resigning.

The resolution added that this action should be considered in view of the Diet members' heavy responsibility in assisting the Throne in carrying out the affairs of state.

After the meeting, 16 representatives of the 250 legislators attending the session, called on General Abe and handed him the resolution.—Domei.

Earthquake Recorded In Europe

South Russia Believed Hit; Damage in Anatolia

Berne, Dec. 27.

A very violent earthquake, located about 3,100 kilometres to the East, probably in Russia, was registered by the seismographs of the Neuchatel observatory between 1 and 2.30 a.m. today.

Moreover, the seismograph at the Zurich observatory also registered an earthquake, fixing the epicentre in Transcaucasia near Tiflis. In certain Swiss observatories, the seismographs broke.

Similar observations, it is learned, were also made in Brussels.—Havas.

Shocks in Anatolia

Ankara, Dec. 27.

Between midnight and 5 a.m. today, a number of earthquakes were felt in various districts of Anatolia and it was believed that a number of persons were injured in certain towns in the vicinity of the epicentre. In all, four tremors, two of them strong, were felt and no further details have reached here yet.—Havas.

Tokyo Says British Envoy Going to Chungking

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

Sir Archibald Kerr, British Ambassador to China, is due to arrive in Chungking on Saturday, according to reports received today. It is generally believed here that the Ambassador is planning to call on General Chiang Kai-shek to discuss certain domestic matters, particularly the foreign exchange and Tientsin silver questions.—Reuter.

Finnish Propaganda Said Undermining Soviet Russian Army's Morale

Whole Battalion of Tanks Deserts After Receiving Pamphlets from Planes Promising Rewards

Rome, Dec. 27.

"Finnish propaganda among the Russian troops has resulted in the Finns gaining much war material," states the "Popolo di Roma's" special correspondent in Finland.

"Finnish 'planes are continually flying over the Russian lines, dropping leaflets inciting the Soviet troops to desert and assuring them that they will be well treated."

The Finns are also reported to be offering substantial monetary rewards for war material surrendered, particularly tanks and 'planes in good condition.

Ten Soviet bombers and an entire battalion of tanks, amongst other arms, are said to have been obtained in this manner.

The correspondent says that the tank battalion surrendered en masse, and that the commander is now instructing Finnish troops in the management and upkeep of tanks, in return for a substantial remuneration.—Reuter.

Helsinki, Dec. 27.

Reports from several centres describe Soviet land attacks as lacking real vigour. The Russians, it is stated, seem more intent upon keeping themselves warm than on fighting.

At a point near Lake Ladoga, one report claims, a dozen Finnish soldiers crept forward to a Russian position and found a store of 2,000 pairs of skiis. They set the store on fire before retiring. To their amazement the Russians made no attempt to give chase or even to extinguish the blaze, but utilized the occasion to warm themselves.

In Helsinki fresh instructions were issued today to protect the population against air attacks.

All motor vehicles are to be painted white to make them harmonize with the snow. Passengers in public vehicles must carry white sheets with which to cover themselves during raids, when Russian airmen swoop down and machine gun pedestrians and vehicles in the streets.—Reuter.

A Highland Regiment—War-Time Style

Owing to modern mechanization and standardization of the British army the picturesque kilt of the Scottish Highlander has been abolished and the new battle dress has been introduced. The kilt, however, is retained for all other and social functions. Here is a famous Scottish regiment with only the pipers left to distinguish it.

Italy and Holy See Believed Planning New Peace Move

Parallel Action to Be Taken; Pope's Message Welcomed; King's Broadcast Stirs Interest

Vatican City, Dec. 27.

ITALY and the Holy See have reached an understanding regarding parallel action to be taken on the behalf of peace and against the spread of Communism, it was reported last night.

Informed sources said the accord was the aftermath of conversations between Cardinal Maglione, Papal Secretary of State, and the new Italian Ambassador to the Vatican, Sr. Alfieri.

It was understood that the Pope plans a personal tour of Italian cathedrals in the spring to help strengthen relations with Italy.

Meanwhile, the Pope sent financial aid to needy Finnish Catholics, entrusting the money to the Apostolic Vicar of Helsinki, Monsignor Gugliemo Corban for distribution. The Pope's aid to Finnish Catholics follows his reference to Russia's "premeditated aggression against a small work-loving, peaceful people" in his Christmas speech.—United Press.

Pope's Message Welcomed

London, Dec. 27.

Full approval of the message sent by the Pope to the Sacred College of Cardinals yesterday was expressed by the papers here this morning.

"The Pope did not speak as one dreaming of peace where there is no peace or willing to tolerate any settlement which would not right the wrong," the "Daily Telegraph" stated. "Many years have passed since there came from the Vatican such a stern censure on rulers of certain states, such direct and precise declarations on international policy.

"The effect on world opinion will be widespread and potent," the paper concluded.

The Rome correspondent of "The Times" stressed that certain quarters in Italy had gained the impression following the Pope's message and the letter sent by President Roosevelt to His Holiness, that peace proposals would be forthcoming shortly. This view is an entirely erroneous one, he added.

"It is generally believed in Italy that the Pope's message is a severe condemnation of Germany and Soviet Russia," the correspondent stated. "At the same time, his message was drafted in a manner such as to reveal sympathy for the cause of the Allies and for certain of the fundamental principles of Signor Mussolini's policy."—Havas.

Quotation Stirs Interest

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 27.

Much interest and curiosity has been aroused regarding the origin and authorship of the quotation with which the King concluded his Christmas broadcast—"I said to the man who stood at the gate of years: 'Give me light that I may tread safely unto the Unknown,' and he replied: 'Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light, and safer than the known way'."

A number of literary authorities, including John Masefield, the Poet Laureate, have been approached, but they declare they have no knowledge of the author.

The mystery has been partly solved by Mrs. J. C. M. Allen, of Bristol, who states that the "quotation was found on a postcard among a dead man's effects. I don't know who wrote the original. I sent the quotation in a letter to "The Times" in the dark days of September as a message of encouragement, and I presume the King must have seen it."—Reuter.

Broadcast Welcomed in France

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Paris, Dec. 27.

King George's Christmas broadcast is splashed in all French newspapers.

"Le Jour" says the French people received with emotion King George's words, which so nobly evoked the friendship of two nations bound closely together for the same sacred cause.—Reuter.

Spain Wants Peace

Madrid, Dec. 27.

King George's Christmas broadcast to the Empire is given considerable prominence in Spanish newspapers, but even greater interest is taken in the peace messages of the Pope and President Roosevelt.

Spanish hopes are centred on an early settlement of the European conflict.

Spaniards say that such a settlement is essential, because Europe is threatened with Bolshevisation.—Reuter.

Pope to Visit Italian King

Vatican City, Dec. 27.

When the Pope makes his return visit to the King and Queen tomorrow his suite will include Cardinal Maglione and Granito Di Belmonte, as well as a number of Roman princes and other prelates holding high offices.

The Pope's visit will be a historical event, as it will be the first time since 1870 that a Pope crosses Rome to visit a reigning sovereign of Italy.—Reuter.

Christmas Words Bring Praise

Vatican City Applauds King George's Speech; M. Daladier Commended

Vatican City, Dec. 26.

Warm praise was reserved today by the "Osservatore Romano," semi-official Vatican newspaper, for the Christmas Day speeches delivered in Paris and London by Premier Edouard Daladier and King George respectively, and for President Roosevelt's initiative in appointing Mr. Miron Taylor his personal representative to the papal court.

"It would be difficult to think," the newspaper stated "of a more human and generous address to all those who are plunged in mourning, suffering and anguish, than the speech delivered by Premier Daladier.

"For everyone, even the enemy, he had words of great understanding....

"The sentiments voiced by the French Premier contribute greatly toward strengthening the invincibility of spirit which constitutes the greatest power of the French nation."

Eulogising King George's simple yet strong address, the "Osservatore Romano" emphasized particularly that part in which the King asserted:

"The war fought by the Allies is nothing but a war of good against evil."

The Vatican newspaper also reproduced today, in its first holiday issue, the full text of the message sent Pope Pius XII by President Roosevelt, voicing the wish to appoint Mr. Miron Taylor as his personal delegate to the Vatican.—Havas.

Britain Considers Pan-American Protest

No German Ships Sunk by Allies in Neutral Zone

London, Dec. 27.

Britain is carefully considering the Pan-American protest over the alleged infringement of the "safety zone" provided in the Declaration of Panama, and will reply "in due course," it was unofficially learned last night.

Britain fully understands the Pan-American desire to keep American waters free of belligerent activities, but at the same time contends that the protest contains an error in fact, namely reference to the "sinking and detention of German merchantmen by British warships in American waters," it was reliably reported.

It was recalled that the British sunk no German ships in Pan-American waters. All of them were scuttled by their own crews.—United Press.

Killer of Von Rath, Asks Speedy Trial

Paris, Dec. 26.

Herschel Grynszpan, Jewish youth who killed Ernst von Rath, Third Secretary of the German Embassy in Paris, in November 1938, and thus brought down a milliard-Reichsmark fine on all Jews in Germany, today addressed a special appeal to the Court. He asked that his trial should be held as soon as possible.—Havas.

British Casualties Give Lie to Nazi Statement

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Paris, Dec. 26.

The latest figures of British casualties recently published were the subject of comment by a spokesman of the French War Office today.

These figures, he said, effectively answered German allegations that France was bearing the brunt of the war, and Great Britain was doing nothing.—Reuter.

Soviet Spy System Gives Nazis Shock

Paris, Dec. 26.

Revealing the efficiency of the Soviet spy system in high German military quarters, the Kremlin requested the Reich's economic mission now in Moscow to hand over jealously guarded secret plans for a new type of gun, it was revealed here today. This request brought down a shroud of suspicion over the economic parleys, which are still going on.—Havas.

British Ship Sunk Without Warning

Fourteen Perish, Ten of Crew Injured; Activity on West Front Almost Nil

London, Dec. 27.

The British steamer Stanholme (2,473 tons) was sunk without warning by a U-boat yesterday off the west coast of England with the loss of 14 lives. Ten survivors were injured.

The U-boat was sighted by a deckhand too late to raise an effective alarm.

One survivor declared that he saw two submarines. The steamer had no warning and had no time to launch lifeboats. The crew jumped overboard. Some managed to get on a small raft, from which they were later rescued.—Reuter.

Eye-witness Story

London, Dec. 27.

An eye-witness account of the Stanholme sinking was given today by a survivor of the British vessel who was picked up by a Norwegian rescue ship and landed in Britain today.

The Stanholme, this survivor stated, was torpedoed by a U-boat barely two hours after she had pulled out of harbour. The attacking sub was sighted by the sailor on lookout duty, but too late to give adequate warning and take defence measures.

"We were having tiffin," the survivor said, "when we heard a violent explosion, followed swiftly by a second.

"No warning was given and we had no time to launch our lifeboats because the ship began to sink within four minutes. The radio operator was killed at his post, but the rest of us managed to float a raft and I took my place on this.

"Members of the crew jumped overboard as the ship quickly settled lower in the water and we later picked up eleven of these before we in turn were picked up by a Norwegian ship."—Havas.

Quiet on Western Front

Paris, Dec. 26.

"There was activity today on the part of our contact elements," a curt French Headquarters war communiqué stated this evening, dealing with Boxing Day military operations.—Havas.

Slight Artillery Fire

Berlin, Dec. 27.

"Apart from slight enemy artillery fire, the Western Front remained quiet on the second day of Christmas," states a communiqué released by the German High Command today.—Reuter.

Outpost Attacked

Paris, Dec. 27.

German troops suddenly attacked a French outpost south of Saarbruecken in the early hours of yesterday morning, but were easily repulsed, leaving several officers, among them a lieutenant and two non-commissioned officers on the field, according to a communique issued here today.

According to information available here, Hitler was visiting that sector of the front at the time.

This was the only activity occurring at the front yesterday. Adverse atmospheric conditions have prevented all aerial activity.—Havas.

Yangtze Opening Not Related To New China Government

Action Taken on Decision by Japanese; New Regime Not Concerned; Measures Studied

FROM PERCY WHITEING
N.C.D.N. Special Correspondent in Japan

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

THE formulation of actual measures for the reopening to international shipping of the Yangtze, is expected to be completed before long, according to Mr. Y. Suma, official spokesman of the Gaimusho.

"The Yangtze may be opened before the establishment of the new Government in Central China," Mr. Suma said, "and no questions arise with regard to a necessity on the part of third Powers to recognize the new government before the Yangtze is actually reopened."

While the basic conditions under which the river will be reopened to international shipping are being exclusively dealt with by the Japanese Government, Mr. Suma continued, further minor matters, such as, for instance, the Pilot Regulations, may come under the jurisdiction of the new Nanking Government. He emphasized, however, that the reopening of the Yangtze was not connected with the establishment of the new government and that the decision had been taken by the Japanese Government after a complete agreement on the question had been reached by the Army, Navy and Foreign Ministry authorities, as well as other ministries concerned with the question in one way or other.

Mr. Suma consequently doubted the authenticity of a report (apparently by an American news agency) to the effect that Mr. Kensuke Horinouchi, Japanese Ambassador in Washington, had told Mr. Cordell Hull, U.S. Secretary of State, that all details regarding the reopening of the Yangtze to international shipping, will depend on an agreement to be reached with the Japanese military authorities on the spot.

"It appears that the report is a distortion of the Ambassador's statement if he made any at all," Mr. Suma added.

"We expect a proper legal arrangement to succeed the Japanese-American treaty when this expires next month" Mr. Suma concluded, "and we deplore the scepticism that is being shown in Shanghai and elsewhere regarding our desire to reopen the Yangtze river to international shipping in the near future."

Apprehension Stilled

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

As a result of the American announcement that Japanese-American trade and shipping will continue, "apprehension arising from a non-treaty situation will be wiped out", Mr. Y. Suma, Foreign Office spokesman said today.

"However," Mr. Suma continued, "I still strongly hope that the right of residence will be secured in the form of a *modus vivendi* if possible. I should like both parties to regulate their relations through a legal status of at least one year rather than from day to day. We still hope to establish such a legal status."

The new Chinese Government under Mr. Wang Ching-wei, dismissed member of the Kuomintang, will probably be established before the Yangtze River is opened and "America and other nations should deal with the Chinese regime," Mr. Suma said.—United Press.

No Fishery Pact Yet

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

A denial of the statement published today by the "Yomiuri Shimbun" asserting that Japan and Soviet Russia had agreed to extend the present temporary fisheries pact for one year was made by the Foreign Office spokesman, Mr. Yakichiro Suma, at this morning's press conference.

He also denied another statement published by the same newspaper alleging that the Foreign Minister, Admiral Nomura, had informed the Cabinet that Mr. Joseph Grew, United States Ambassador, had informed Japan that the United States did not desire a state of no treaty between the two countries.

In making the denials, the spokesman declared he knew nothing that would bear out the two statements published by the "Yomiuri Shimbun." He said he considered the newspaper premature in reporting such a situation between Japan and the Soviet and Japan and the United States. He declined, however, to have further discussion on the subject, saying it would merely lead to further misunderstandings.

The spokesman maintained this view though it was pointed out by a foreign correspondent that misunderstanding apparently already existed concerning whether the United States Ambassador gave an assurance that a no treaty situation would not arise between Japan and the United States, which, Reuter understands, is very doubtful.—Reuter.

Japanese Goods Find Way Into "Free China"

Chungking Takes Steps to Prevent Smuggling

Chungking, Dec. 27.

In an attempt to halt the smuggling of goods into "Free China" from the occupied areas, the Chinese Government has decided to establish special inspection offices to keep careful check of all goods entering the war area, it is announced here today.

During the past year large amounts of Japanese goods are said to have been smuggled into "Free China," particularly through Hankow, via Ichang.

It is alleged that the Japanese authorities are giving facilities to smugglers for the transit of goods up river from Hankow, for transhipment into Szechuen province.

Large scale smuggling is said to be depriving the Chinese Government of considerable revenue and enabling the Japanese to push the sale of their goods in China.—Reuter.

Australia May Become Far Eastern Arsenal for British Empire

Munitions, Planes of All Sorts Now Being Built In Country; Ten Thousand to Be Employed

London, Dec. 27.

The arrival in England of Australian airmen and the announcement of air training plans in Australia means that in future Australia may become the Empire's arsenal in the Far East, well-informed quarters said today.

The Australian Government expects between 8,000 and 10,000 persons to be employed in aircraft manufacturing work by 1941.

Besides producing its own brands of planes, Australia is also to build British Bristol and Beaufort bombers and United States North American trainers. The Government constructing factory at Sydney is to produce United States Pratt and Whitney Wasp engines for the Beauforts.

Australia is providing 10,400 pilots and 15,600 aerial gunners and observers under the Dominions air training plans. Australia, it was also revealed, has laid down the keels of coastal sloops for patrol work as well as minesweeper and submarine duty.

During the World War Australia only made rifles and ammunition, but at present it is producing artillery, anti-tank devices, armoured cars, grenades, bombs and shells.—United Press.

Mr. Hull Unable to Be Definite

U.S. Non-Committal Over Possible Temporary Pact With Japanese

Washington, Dec. 27.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, yesterday indicated that he was unable to make a definite statement as to whether the United States was favouring some arrangement with Japan after the expiration of their trade treaty next month.

Asked at his weekly press conference whether the United States was disposed to enter into a temporary arrangement with Japan after the expiration of the treaty, Mr. Hull replied that about all he could say was that the matter was awaiting development.

This statement was interpreted that Mr. Hull apparently meant that he was unable to make a definite announcement until further developments in the situation have occurred.

When correspondents asked Mr. Hull regarding the status of claims by Americans and American concerns in China against Japan, he said that many of the cases were being given attention by American representatives in China and Embassy officials in Tokyo.

Mr. Hull said that he could give no details because the claims had not yet reached a sufficient state of settlement. Correspondents thus inferred that the situation regarding the claims was also indefinite.—United Press.

Two Governments?

Manila, Dec. 27.

Referring to the recent press interview of the Japanese Ambassador to Washington, Mr. Kensuke Horinouchi, in which he stated that a new American-Japanese trade treaty would have to be approved first by the Japanese army in China, the "Manila Bulletin" today said that Washington will expect Tokyo to make good her treaty commitments and will in no circumstances accept Japan's word subject to the Japanese army's approval.

"The Japanese Ambassador came preciously close to admitting that there were two Japanese Governments to be dealt with, the military administration in China and the civil or diplomatic administration in Tokyo," the "Bulletin" declared.

If Mr. Horinouchi did not mean what he was understood to say—that the Japanese army is an authority in itself and "if he did not mean to accord it a status different from that which an army ordinarily has, then we should feel forced to the conclusion that his statement was intended as building an advance excuse for delay and an excuse that could be used when and if it becomes necessary to ask for time out," the newspaper said.

Only One Authority

The procedure adopted by the Japanese Government in planning treaty negotiations does not concern the United States, the journal believed, adding that "however, the American Government will recognize only one authority, the treaty-making authority, which is presumably the treaty-enforcing authority."

"Most assuredly Tokyo requires the support of the army in the field, but if the army's attitude is what it should be and if the relationship between the central Government and its various branches is correct, there ought to be no question about what can or will be done by the Japanese Government," the "Manila Bulletin" said.—United Press.

R.A.F. Engage German Patrol Boats

Vigilance Unrelaxed on Christmas Day

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec. 26.

"Although it was Christmas Day, the Royal Air Force throughout yesterday continued an unrelaxed vigilance patrol covering our fishing fleets in the North Sea," says an announcement by the Air Ministry.

"Certain of our aircraft," it adds, "observed German patrol vessels at an eastern port. The German vessels opened fire on our aircraft, which took retaliatory action. Hits were not observed, and no damage was done to our aircraft."—Reuter.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rate yesterday, was as follows:—

Sterling ....4¾d. U.S.$ ....7 1/16c.

Silver Quotations

London, Dec. 27.

Silver prices declined today, the quotations being:—

	Dec. 22	Dec. 27
London spot	23 5/8d.	22½d.
„ forward	23½d.	22 11/16d.
„ gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter.

Utilities Head Dies in U.S.

Mr. Henry Latham Doherty Rose from Small Position To Wealth and Power

Philadelphia, Dec. 27.

Mr. Henry Latham Doherty, public utilities executive, died here yesterday at the age of 69.

From the ten-year old newsboy on the streets of Columbus, O., to the multi-millionaire head of the Cities Service interests, his life was a series of obstacles met and conquered with a vim born of a seemingly inexhaustible supply of mental and physical energy.

In 1905 Mr. Doherty struck out for himself and formed Henry L. Doherty & Company, which engaged in the reorganization, management and financing of public utilities. By 1910 the network of interests in which this company had a hand grew so vast that it was found necessary to create a separate holding company.

In the meantime Mr. Doherty, with boundless energy, worked hard at many inventions and improvements that revolutionized various processes in the public utility, natural gas and petroleum fields. To be assured of quiet and seclusion, he maintained his office and home on top of a skyscraper at the southern tip of Manhattan Island, overlooking New York Bay. He received many public honours for his inventions.

The most spectacular business battle of his career, was his fight against Governor Woodring of Kansas and the "Kansas City Star," growing out of the ban placed by the Kansas Public Service Commission on the sale of Cities Service securities in the state. This resulted from the refusal of the Cities Service subsidiaries in the state to lower their gas rates.

Mr. Doherty finally won a two-sided victory when the order was rescinded, but not until he had engaged in one of his hardest fights. During the battle he bought a half interest in the "Kansas City Journal-Post," admittedly to combat the influence of the "Kansas City Star," which he maintained, brought about the ban on Cities Service stocks in Kansas.

The business depression in 1929 finally aroused Mr. Doherty in 1931 to establish a $500,000 fund in Kansas City to study means to alleviate the economic setback. Mr. Doherty said he would raise the amount to $5,000,000 if any workable ideas to lift the country out of the depression could be found.

Early in 1932 the new Cities Service building, a 67-story structure in the financial district, was opened. It contained many building innovations, including double-decked lifts and on top of the building, the third largest in the world, was an ultra-modern penthouse apartment and office for Mr. Doherty.

In appearance, Mr. Doherty had a deceptively gentle and studious look, suggesting more the student, or university president, than the practical business man. But to his somewhat artistic features and white Van Dyke beard were added a belligerent flash of keen eyes and a characteristic table-banging of a well-sized fist when aroused.—United Press.

Ex-President of Poland In Switzerland

Fribourg, Switzerland, Dec. 27.

M. Ignace Moscicki, former President of Poland, arrived here from Rumania this morning.

M. Moscicki, it will be recalled, was a political emigre from Russia early in this century and spent a number of years in Fribourg, where he was a professor of chemistry at the local university. He was granted Swiss citizenship and is still considered a Swiss citizen by the Berne government.

Since the German invasion of Poland, M. Moscicki had been staying in Craiova, Rumania, where he fell seriously ill. He was subsequently permitted to leave Rumania and decided to leave for Switzerland where he is well known and very popular.—Havas.

Australia Opens Legation In Washington

Washington, Dec. 26.

The Australian Government informed the United States today that it has decided to open a legation here. Canberra proposed Mr. R. G. Casey as the first Australian Minister to the United States. Mr. Casey was Treasurer of the Commonwealth since 1935 after serving as Foreign Affairs Officer in 1927, Liaison Officer between the Australian and British Governments from 1927 to 1931, and as Assistant Federal Treasurer from 1933 to 1935. He was born August 29, 1890, and served through the Great War, winning both the D.S.O. and M.C.—Havas.

Soviet Official Removed From Berlin

Moscow, Dec. 27.

The Counsellor of Soviet Embassy at Berlin, M. Astakhov, has been removed from his post, it was officially announced today, although no indication was given whether he had been appointed to another position.

M. Astakhov, known as one of the most active of Soviet diplomats, was responsible for conducting the preliminary negotiations between the Soviets and Germany leading to the visit to Moscow by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, and the conclusion of the non-aggression pact.—United Press.

Royal Air Force Women on Parade

This is one of the first pictures to be taken in war-time of members of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force on duty at a R.A.F. station somewhere in England. They are helping with clerical and other duties. Picture shows a company officer making her morning inspection.

Soviets Try to Blast Way Through Finns

(Continued from page 7)

lery action east of Keija, it is stated, "we destroyed 20 lorries, and at Suomussalmi two tanks were destroyed."

Russian planes, it is added, bombed the Koivisto coastal batteries repeatedly on December 25, and also other coastal forts.—Reuter.

Russians Hurled Back

At Finnish Northern Headquarters, Dec. 27.

Russian troops were thrown back more than 83 kilometres in three days of fighting in the Salla sector, it was officially announced today.

Five thousand Russians were killed in the Salla region during 10 days of fighting, it was unofficially estimated.

Fighting at Salla continues, and at Petsamo the Russian advance was at a standstill, with the Finns advancing several kilometres today, it was announced. Some action was also reported at Suomussalmi.

There have been no new developments at the Kussamo front, however, the announcement said.

High Finnish military quarters estimated that 300,000 Russians, or nearly 20 divisions, were concentrated on the eastern frontier, between the Arctic Ocean and Lake Ladoga.

A Finnish surprise attack on Russian territory north of Lake Ladoga will relieve pressure on the eastern frontier, these military sources believed.—United Press.

German Tanks Used

Stockholm, Dec. 27.

The Soviet troops are using German-made tanks, according to the correspondent of the newspaper "Dagens Nyheter" who is in the Finnish frontlines. He points out that in the region extending from the Lake Ladoga to the extreme North, the Russians have massed 16 divisions of 18,000 men each and the Finns are only able to oppose each division with a battalion.

"The sufferings endured by the Russians", the correspondent added, "cannot be described. The Finnish police was compelled to form special detachments to help Soviet deserters roaming in the woods at a temperature of 35 degrees below zero."

"Hundreds of Soviet soldiers are freezing to death," the correspondent continues, "and the sufferings of Finnish troops are also considerable. The wounded men of advanced skiing units are obliged to cover long distances to reach ambulances."—Havas.

Italians Volunteer

Stockholm, Dec. 27.

Two thousand Italians in Rome have volunteered for service in Finland against Russia, according to reports received here.—Reuter.

Reaction in Moscow

London, Dec. 27.

"Alarming and doubtless exaggerated reports are now beginning to circulate in Moscow and are beginning to gain credence in the absence of any official denials or details of what is taking place in Finland," states the Moscow correspondent of "The Times."

"These reports from abroad put Red Army casualties at between 25,000 to 30,000 dead, and between 30,000 to 40,000 wounded, frost-bitten, ill, captured or deserted.

"Figures of that kind do not represent a calamity for an army so large as the Red Army, but they lead to much talk which does not rebound to the credit of the régime.

"The reports from the Finnish war sectors must have done considerable damage to the prestige of the Soviet Union as a military power," "The Times" correspondent continues.

"The Soviet Government's policy of secrecy also prevents it from refuting the most recent reports of serious reverses in Central and Northern Finland, the only parts at which their troops had made progress.

"The latest reports from Finland suggest that the Red Army may be unable to reopen an offensive with any hope of victory until the spring, by which time, much may have happened to improve Finland's position.

"It cannot be doubted that the Soviet Government expected to have liquidated Finland's resistance before the weather became severe, and their failure may have internal and political repercussions," the correspondent concludes.—Reuter.

678 Die in U.S. During Christmas Holidays

New York, Dec. 27.

At least 678 persons met violent deaths in the United States during the Christmas holidays. Of this number, 436 were traffic victims.—Reuter.

Nazis Offer to Sell Patents

Move Believed Designed to Beat Blockade

Geneva, Dec. 27.

An advertisement from a firm in Berlin, offering to sell various German patents to powerful enterprises, appeared in several leading Swiss newspapers today.

Industrial and financial quarters here are wondering whether there may not be concealed behind this offer a German project for meeting the Allied blockade of German exports, by introducing the manufacture of patented industrial products to neutral countries.

Such products, it is stated, could then easily be exported as neutral goods.

It is also suggested that the Germans may thus hope to obtain in neutral countries certain raw materials necessary for the manufacture of these patented goods, as such raw materials are no longer available in Germany.—Reuter.

President's Popularity In U.S. Increasing

New York, Dec. 27.

Successive straw-votes made by the Gallup Institute since the beginning of the European war, indicate that President Franklin D. Roosevelt's policy has not failed to increase from day to day. "Do you want Roosevelt as president?" resulted in an affirmative answer by 56.6 per cent. of those questioned in August; of 61 per cent., in September; of 62.7 per cent. in November; and of 63.7 per cent. today. —Havas.

U.S. Economic Journal Lauds Policy of Allies

New York, Dec. 27.

In reviewing "the remarkably strong economic position of Great Britain and France, since the beginning of the war, the "Journal of Commerce" says that the economic life in the Allied countries "is nearly normal after more than four months of war and shows that both France and Britain are able to face a long and difficult war.—Havas.

French Women's Presents To British War Orphans

London, Dec. 27.

Children of British sailors who were killed in action since the beginning of the war, were the recipients of Christmas presents donated by women all over France. The presents which arrived here on Saturday, were delivered by British sailors on leave who offered their services and each child received four or five different toys.—Havas.

Lorry Kills Child

A 13-year-old Chinese girl was killed under a coal lorry at the intersection of Routes Paul Henry and Lorton yesterday afternoon.

German Protest Over Captured Ship

Panama, City, Dec. 26.

Protest against the permit given the German freighter Dusseldorf to leave Cristobal with her British prize crew aboard was lodged with the Panama Canal Zone authorities today by the German Consul at Colon, Herr Walter Schmidt. The protest was rejected by General Stone, Commander in Chief of American forces in the Zone. The Dusseldorf remained in Cristobal harbour today but was expected to depart at any moment. She was captured off Chilean coasts several days ago shortly after putting out of Valparaiso.—Havas.

Unidentified Plane Flies Over Essex Towns

London, Dec. 27.

An unidentified 'plane flew over a number of towns in Essex today, while two other aircraft were seen over the Sussex coast. No air raid warning was given, and no gunfire heard.

The first 'plane was seen coming in from the North Sea near the Thames estuary, flying at great height and hardly visible.—Reuter.

Wife of "Mayor" of Shanghai Dies

Mrs. Fu Siao-en, wife of the "Mayor" of the Shanghai Special Municipality, died after a month's illness at the "Mayor's" residence on Avenue Joffre on December 23 at 7.30 p.m., according to the "Shanghai Mainichi."

Mrs. Fu was 69, the paper said. Funeral services will be conducted in a few days. No details regarding the services have been announced yet.

Swiss Send Gift to Red Cross in Finland

Berne, Dec. 27.

The Swiss Federal Council today remitted 200,000 Swiss francs to the Swiss Red Cross with a request that it be forwarded to the Finnish Red Cross either in cash or in medical supplies.—Havas.

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Planes the Eyes Of the Navy

Extensive Training is Primary Requisite for Work in the Air

The introduction of the Air Arm has produced a considerable change in the conduct of naval warfare. Before the advent of aircraft, reconnaissance was carried out by the cruisers, colloquially known as "the eyes of the fleet." Now this duty falls largely to the aircraft, writes a special correspondent in the "Times."

There is some misconception about visibility from the air. Normally this is not very much greater than from the surface. At exceptional times when flying one can see long distances because of the height, but often visibility at sea does not exceed five to 10 miles. Air to air visibility is less than it is commonly thought to be. One is unlikely to sight another aircraft at a greater range than three miles. The advantage in early information gained by a fleet using aircraft as its "eyes" is due more to the great range to which these "eyes" are taken, and the speed at which they are carried, than to increased visibility in the air as opposed to that on the surface. For these reasons enemy ships, nowadays, are generally sighted from the air a long time before they are seen by surface ships; therefore, aircraft have to some extent taken over the duties of cruisers.

Observer's Responsibility

The senior officer of an aircraft is in command of it, but the navigation and all reports of enemy ships are the work of the observer, upon whom a great responsibility rests, since on the accuracy of his reports the success or failure of an action may depend. Recently the Admiralty have reorganized responsibility in Fleet Air Arm Squadrons, which may now be commanded by either a pilot or an observer. The rapid expansion of the Fleet Air Arm has necessitated a big increase in the number of observers. These are drawn from executive officers, Air Branch officers, R.N.V.R. Air Branch officers, and from the lower deck. Today there is quite a number of rating pilots and rating observers (men from the lower deck) in the Fleet Air Arm, and they are a great success.

Distribution of Gunfire

The training of observers is divided into two parts. First they go to the R.N. Signal School to learn visual signalling, wireless telegraphy, coding, and all signal matters connected with the manœuvring of a fleet. Next they attend the Naval Gunnery School, where they are taught how to observe and report the fall of shot relative to enemy ships, the distribution of gunfire, and the spotting rules. This enables them to appreciate in the air how the gun fire of the fleet is used to destroy enemy ships, and what information the commanding officers of ships require to enable them to do this.

For the second part of their instruction they go to the Naval Observers' Schools, where they start their flying training. This includes air reconnaissance, air navigation, air gunnery, bombing, practical wireless telegraphy in the air, air photography, air spotting, meteorology, and ship recognition, which means the ability to identify any ship at sight. Navigation must, however, always be the most important part of an observer's training.

The speed at which an observer has to work in the air has to be experienced to be believed. Owing to the pace at which modern aircraft move all air navigation problems have to be quickly and accurately solved. In air navigation over the sea with fleets the problems introduced by the aircraft's movements, the wind's speed and direction, and ships movements involve some pretty complications. At the same time the observer has to direct the pilot, take ranges and bearings of ships sighted, plot them, code his report, direct the air gunner concerning the wireless, and plot all enemy reports made by other aircraft to coordinate his work with theirs.

Reconnaissance Work

An important subject of instruction at the Naval Observers' Schools is tactics. It is essential that an observer should possess an intelligent knowledge of how fleets are handled and what tactical positions they should adopt, or are likely to adopt, in order that he may report to his Commander-in-Chief exactly what he sees and what he thinks is about to happen. The Fleet Air Arm is the youngest section of the Navy, and perhaps the least known. When operating with the fleet it has a considerable share of the responsibility for the fleet's security. The initial air reconnaissance searches the area in the vicinity of the fleet, and then continues the sweep to look for more distant enemy ships. Subsequently air patrols are maintained to ensure that no enemy enters the area swept by the initial search without being reported. In addition, anti-submarine air patrols are maintained round the fleet, while aboard the carriers aircraft, armed with bombs or torpedoes, are held ready at a moment's notice to attack any hostile ships reported by reconnaissance aircraft.

The Fleet Air Arm also does an immense amount of flying in connection with commerce protection and U-boat hunting on the trade routes. It is very difficult to detect from the air a submarine which is "air conscious," and it is also very difficult, having found the submarine, to destroy it with bombs. But the training in anti-submarine bombing given to Fleet Air Arm personnel should enable them to play their part successfully in combating attacks on British warships and merchant ships by enemy submarines. In fact, some U-boats have had good cause to regret the efficiency of the Fleet Air Arm in this direction.

Former Cripple Now Plays Tennis

Vanquishes Rheumatism in Feet

Here is a story of a young man who had given up hope of taking part in active sports with his fellows again. He tells how he tried one remedy after another and how finally a former sufferer put him on the way to recovery:—

"Two years ago I started with pains in the feet which gradually got worse. I tried 'everything under the sun' but to no effect. Whilst waiting for treatment one evening, another patient advised me to try Kruschen Salts. That was twelve months ago; the relief was not sudden, but the pain and swelling gradually left my feet, and in six months I amazed my friends by taking long walks into the country. This year I have played a good deal of tennis, a thing which I had begun to think I should never do again."—C.W.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THERE will be a celebration of Holy Communion in the Bubbling Well Chapel today at 10.30 a.m.

COLONEL Horyo Tateishi, Military Attaché to the Japanese Embassy in Turkey, has been appointed Military Attaché to the Japanese Legation in Bulgaria in addition to his present duties.

MR. H. W. Merrick, manager Hongkong Branch, Confederation Life Association is in the city on a month's visit. Mr. Merrick is accompanied by his wife and son and is staying at the Park Hotel.

A WOOL-weaving limited company which the Ministry of Economic Affairs proposes to construct in Chungking was formally approved by the Executive Yuan at a meeting held in Chungking on Tuesday, says the "Sin Wan Pao."

KUNMING, capital of Yunnan, is now under a severe cold spell, the thermometer registering between 43 and 46 degrees Fahrenheit, says a Chinese message to the "Sin Wan Pao." It has been snowing heavily since December 25.

"THAT There Isn't Any Santa Claus," will be proposed on the Foreign "Y" Debating Programme this evening, at 9 o'clock. Mr. Ernest Moy is proposing, and Dr. H. M. Hodgkin is opposing. A good debate is expected. Members of the Association and their friends are invited to attend and participate in the debate.

WHEN Ald. T. J. Robinson and Mr. H. J. White, retired on November 9 as Bradford's Lord Mayor and Deputy Lord Mayor respectively they each won £5 bets, because despite banquets and luncheons they had not gained weight during their year of office. Ald. Robinson lost about 7lb. and Mr. White about 4lb. They will give their winnings to charity.

THE Shanghai Municipal Council health report for the week ending midnight, December 23; shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Settlement were—Foreigners 23; and Chinese 653. Deaths from notifiable diseases were—Foreigners, Tuberculosis 3; Typhoid Fever 1. Chinese, Tuberculosis, 51; Dysentery 6; Typhoid Fever 17; Diphtheria 4; Beri-Beri 4; and Malaria 1.

A LETTER enclosing $200 was received on Tuesday by General Chiang Kai-shek from an American who signed himself Mr. Sherman, says a Chungking Chinese message to the "Sin Wan Pao." The letter stated the writer was deeply convinced that the future of Europe would be determined by the Sino-Japanese hostilities, and that China's final victory was only a matter of time. The small contribution, he added, was for China's war fund.

THE health report of the French Municipality for the week ending December 23, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes among the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession were:—Foreigners 5 and Chinese 206. Deaths from notifiable diseases were:—Foreigners, Typhus 1 and Tuberculosis 2. Chinese, Tuberculosis 26; Dysentry 7; Pneumonia 4; Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers 6; Beri Beri 4; and Measles, Purperal Fever, Marsh Fever, 1 each.

THE Shanghai Reel Club will hold its annual general meeting on Friday, January 5, at 9 p.m. at the Cricket Club. A practice will be held after the meeting as the Cricket Club's premises have become available for two weekly practices from January to April 1940. The club's verandah has been walled in and the floor can accommodate about 100 dancers. It is understood that a piper and an instructor from the Seaforth Highlanders will be available for the season.

MR. Morley, Chairman and representative of the American Students' Council in the United States, who is making an inspection tour of Chinese war areas, was given a rousing welcome when he arrived in Kweiyang, capital of Kweichow, from Chungking on Tuesday, says the "Shun Pao." He paid a warm tribute to the undaunted spirit of Chinese students and a stressed the active part which the Chinese people were playing in China's national reconstruction. Mr. Morley will remain in Kweiyang for a week before returning to Chungking, the report adds.

THE winning team of the French Boy Scouts who since the last Jamboree, held in November, have been the holders of the Rotary Shield, will be the guests of the Rotary Club at this week's meeting on Thursday at 12.15 p.m. at the Metropole Hotel. The boys are contributing to the programme, which has been designated as a Fathers' and Sons' Day, and there will also be moving pictures in which all the boys who attend are sure to be interested. In view of the fact that this year is the first in which the French Troop of scouts have entered the competition for the shield, the honour with which they have won, is particularly noteworthy, and it is hoped that their officials will also be present at the meeting. All Rotarians are urged to bring their sons, or sons adopted for the day with them.

THE programme for the twelfth Symphony Concert to be given in the Lyceum Theatre on Saturday, December 30, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

Symphony in B minor ("The Unfinished") .....Schubert
(a) Allegro moderato
(b) Andante con moto
Two Arias with Orchestra acc.
(a) "L'amero costente" from "Il Re Pastore" Mozart
(b) "Batti, batti, o bel Masetto" from "Don Juan"
Vocalist: Ruth Fullam
Double—Concerto for Two Solo-Violine and Strings .....Bach
(a) Vivace
(b) Largo, ma non tanto
(c) Allegro
Prof. A. Foa, R. Gerzovsky
INTERVAL
Symphony No. 6 "Pastorale" or Recollection of Country Life" Beethoven
(a) Allegro ma con moto: The Awakening of Cheerful Feelings on Arriving in the Country
(b) Andante con moti. "Scene by the Brook"
(c) Allegro: "Merry Meeting of Country People"
(d) Allegro: "Thunderstorm-Tempest"
(e) Allegretto "Song of the Shepherds: Glad and Thankful Feelings after the Storm"
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

Chinese Wood Oil Trade Increases

Influence of European War Felt in Exports; Increase In Price

China is playing a very important part in the hostilities in Europe for she keeps on supplying large quantities of wood oil, or "tung" oil, which is necessary for making paint for use on tanks, aeroplanes, war vessels and other war equipment. A Chinese correspondent writing from Hongkong reveals the interesting fact that between 30,000 and 40,000 piculs of the oil, worth about $3,000,000, is exported to Europe by China monthly and its sale has been increased since the hostilities.

The Sino-Japanese hostilities have not affected China in the least in exporting wood oil which business is more or less state-controlled for after the fall of Shanghai, Canton and Nanning, American and European merchants are still buying it and China keeps on supplying with practically unlimited sources of supply at her disposal. As a result, it is pointed out, its price has jumped to $130 per picul (Hongkong currency) now as compared with only $58.50 during the spring of this year. As the paint business is well developed in the United States she has been the biggest buyer with Germany, Great Britain and France coming next.

Owing to the favourable climate, wood oil is abundantly produced in practically every province in Central and South China and judging from the report it would appear that despite the hostilities in China she remains to be the biggest producer of this oil in the international market. Before the war in China, wood oil had been exported through Shanghai and Canton but after the fall of these two cities she has kept on exporting from a certain district in Chekiang whence it is sent to Canton and Hongkong. The colony is still the distributing centre. After the fall of Canton, wood oil has been exported through Pakhoi.

No Decrease in Supply

Foreign and Chinese merchants have repeatedly expected its price to go down when the Japanese threatened to take Pakhoi as well as when the rumour was circulated that the French authorities would stop its export through Indo-China, but the price went steadily up until after the fall of Nanning. The market suffered only a short-lived set back as the Americans had shipped out 7,000 tons of wood oil from Hankow but during the past few days the price jumped to the unprecedented mark of $130.

At present, the supply is continuously arriving at Hongkong from Pakhoi, Canton Bay, Haiphong and Macao as the demand is very high and, as a matter of fact, since the European hostilities its export has increased considerably. The correspondent sees the possibility of its price being further increased as the fall of Nanning will cause Chinese exporters to change the route of transportation. In Hongkong, there are two Chinese state-controlled firms, one semi-official company, three foreign firms and more than 20 private Chinese firms dealing in wood oil.

Junk Cargo on Fire Below Garden Bridge

Hongkew Station firemen were called upon to extinguish a fire on a junk in the middle of the Soochow Creek, near the Garden Bridge, at 8.40 o'clock yesterday morning. Several bales of cotton were in flames but the firemen quickly doused the burning cargo, and the damage was slight. A gallery of hundreds of Chinese on both sides of the creek and on the Garden Bridge watched the operations.

Recording the War in the Ether

One of the British Broadcasting Corporation's listening posts in England where every item of foreign news broadcast is received and recorded. A twenty-four hours' watch is maintained to pick up everything that is going.

Rice Merchants Detained

First Action Against Alleged Profiteers Taken By Police; Licences Lost

Three Chinese merchants dealing in rice, two of them brokers of the Shanghai Rice Market, were taken to the police station on Tuesday for questioning on suspicion that they had been selling rice at a price higher than that which was recently fixed by the market. It was learned that their market licences were cancelled by authorities of the market and that they were still being investigated by the police. How these merchants will be treated by the authorities is being closely watched by the Chinese public.

It was also learned that while the real first grade native rice has not been sold in the Shanghai market, rice merchants have been selling the second grade rice at a price which is nearly as high as that of the first grade grain. The officially fixed price for a "zah" of "see mee" or the second grade rice is $33, but it was alleged in Chinese circles that the three questioned merchants had failed to follow this price schedule, wishing to make more profit.

Many persons went to the Shanghai Foodstuffs Readjustment Association at 59 Hongkong Road yesterday to obtain application blanks for buying Saigon rice collectively, to offset the local high prices for native rice. The association is trying to raise a foundation fund of $1,000,000, but so far only $520,000 has been subscribed. Those who wish to buy Saigon rice through the association must pay $20 for each bag in advance and the money is to be deposited with the Kincheng Banking Corporation.

Phone Rates to Be Cut For New Year

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

Telephone rates for New Year's greeting calls between points in China and Japan will be slashed in half the first three days of January, it was announced here today. Calls to and from Shanghai, Nanking, Tientsin and Peiping during the three days will come under the reduced rate. Three minute calls from Osaka to Peiping or Tientsin will cost Y.4.20 during the period; from Tokyo to Nanking, Y.4,50, and from Tokyo to Shanghai, Y.3,75. For each additional minute above three minutes the charge will be one-third of the fee for the three-minute conversation.—Domei.

Curious Triangle Over Concession Murder

Pistol Found But Suspect Held by "City" Police

A curious situation existed yesterday in connection with an arrest for armed robbery made in the "badlands" on Tuesday evening. The man was seized by the Settlement Police in Tunsin Road near Keswick Road, after an armed robbery had been committed in extra-Settlement territory. He was subsequently turned over to the "Special Municipality" police who were investigating the robbery. A search of the vicinity in which the arrest was made revealed a pistol, apparently discarded by the man when he was being chased. This weapon was turned over to S.M.P. Headquarters arms experts for examination to determine whether it had figured in other local cases.

It was learned yesterday that the pistol was the one with which Mrs. Wu Mu-lan, said to be a Chungking agent, was killed in Rue Brenier de Montmorand last Friday, a case which the French Police are investigating.

Thus a curious triangle was created, with the French Police having an assassination investigation on their hands, the S.M.P. having the pistol, and the "Special Municipality" police a possible suspect in the case.

Japanese to Control Prices

Commodity Price Committee To Be Formed Here

Plans formulated for the curbing of the rising prices of commodities by the Asia Development Board were explained to Japanese newspapermen and staff members of broadcasting stations at a meeting called by the Central China Liaison Office of the Board on Tuesday afternoon, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported yesterday.

Outlined to the guests, according to the local Japanese daily, were the following plans for the control of commodities in co-operation with Japanese Army and Naval authorities:

Establishment of a Commodity Price Committee; arrangements for commodity price control organizations; effecting a smooth importation ample supply of local products; maintenance of the value of the yen represented by military notes, and the establishment and reinforcement of productive organs for commodities unavailable in sufficient quantities from the outside.

Robbers Remain Active Here

Two U.S. Marines Seize Bandit After Alarm in Seymour Road Lane

Robberies by armed Chinese continued in various parts of the International Settlement and western "outside" district on Tuesday evening and yesterday, large amounts of loot being taken in most cases. Two shots were fired by one gang in the Eastern district but no-one was wounded. In another case the arrest of a robber was effected by two members of the United States Marine Corps and a Chinese student. The Settlement Police recorded 22 robberies committed in territory policed by them, in four days—Saturday to Tuesday inclusive. At the same time many arrests were made.

Between 3 and 4 o'clock yesterday morning, an armed gang of seven men ransacked House 25, Lane 595 East Yuhang Road, and obtained loot worth well over $1,000. Before leaving, the robbers fired two shots to frighten their victims. They wounded no-one.

Two United States Marines, Corporals W. R. Wood and Wisniewski, took a hand in matters when a robbery victim raised an alarm in Lane 660, Seymour Road, on Tuesday evening. Three bandits had taken $126 from a Chinese resident of the lane at gunpoint and were about to seize the man's overcoat as well when the victim cried out. A Chinese student and the two Marine corporals came running to the rescue and were in time to arrest one of the roobers. This was the one who had taken the $126 and the loot was therefore recovered. The two Marines escorted the prisoner to the Gordon Road Police Station.

Rear Door Bandits

Another armed gang entered 1107 Ferry Road shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning and stole $800 with which they escaped. The bandits made use of the rear door to commit this robbery.

A considerable haul was made by highway robbers yesterday afternoon in Lucerne Road, in the "badlands." Two gunmen stopped a private motor-car at about 3.30 o'clock and made the passengers hand over money and jewellery to the total value of $2,000. These robbers likewise escaped.

Two highway robberies in which overcoats were stolen, as well as money, took place in the western district on Tuesday evening.

A haul of $1,300 in cash was made yesterday afternoon by a gang of six robbers at 527 Haiphong Road. The police succeeded in arresting one of the gang. Two of the men were armed.

At 7 p.m., five bandits who displayed three pistols looted a Chinese house in Lane 97, Myburgh Road, and escaped with property worth about $1,000, consisting of cash and jewellery.

Handgrenades Found on Robber Suspects

Police Round Up Fourteen Men Over Holidays

Fourteen robber suspects arrested during the Christmas celebrations were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday by the Settlement police and it was revealed that in the possession of the detained persons the officers found two handgrenades, a pistol, five rounds of ammunition, a fake gun and some stolen articles.

Two initial arrests were made in the Chengtu Road district on Tuesday on suspicion that they participated in a robbery committed on December 21 in Hongkew where an Indian pedestrian was robbed of $7,000 worth of valuables. Three more men and two women were later arrested in Hongkew. They were all suspected of being members of the same gang. The officers found 30 rings and some valuable jewellery in their possession. These were believed to be part of the loot taken from the Indian. The suspects were detained on a writ of detention.

Four other suspects were arrested on Sunday by the Bubbling Well police. They were caught in a lodging house off Fokien Road where two handgrenades were found. A constable on duty in Kwangse Road was responsible for the arrest of two suspects one of whom carried a Mauser pistol and five rounds of ammunition.

Counterfeiter Sentenced Seals Concealed

Moissey Birman, Russian Jew was sentenced to 10 months' imprisonment yesterday by the First Special District Court for counterfeiting documents and seals. For concealing counterfeit documents his common-law wife and former cabaret girl, Yenta Zyliberberg, drew 50 days or the alternative of paying a fine at the rate of $2 per day.

The accused were arrested nearly two months ago when the Bubbling Well police wanted to question them in regard to the disappearance of a slot machine and a radio from a cafe. Later at the Broadway home of Birman the police found five fake chops, an equal number of hand-drawn copies of the chops, and a forged Swiss passport which bore imprints of forged chops and seals of various European authorities. At the previous hearing the court was informed by the police that Birman also had a bad record in Paris before coming to Shanghai.

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BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 1/32d.		$ 51.54
U.S. $100 @ 7/8		$1,311.48
Francs	341	$100
Yen	32 3/8	100
Guilders	14 1/4	100
Rupees	24 3/4	100
Pesos	15 1/4	100
Hongkong	$31	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 4 3/32d.	$ 50.19
U.S. $100 @ 7/8	$1,269.84
London—demand, $1=	4 3/32d.
4 months' sight credits	4 1/32d.
4 months' sight docts	4 3/32d.
6 months' sight credits	4 1/16d.
6 months' sight docts	4 1/16d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S.$77 1/8
4 months' sight credits	U.S.$77 1/8
4 months' sight docts	U.S.$76 15/16

NEW YORK/LONDON CROSS RATES

£1=U.S.$3.94 7/8 U.S.$1=£0.253.

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling .....4 3/32d. U.S. $77 1/8
Hongkong/London 1/2 1/16

WEI WAH DISCOUNT

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Netherlands Guilders	Buying	15
Java Guilders	"	14 7/8
Netherlands Guilders	Selling	14 5/8
Java Guilders	"	14 1/2

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"	Buying "	@ 6 1/32 "	H.H.$ 1
U.S.	Selling "	@ 9 1/16 "	H.H.$100
"	Buying "	@ 10 1/4 "	H.H.$100

LOCAL DOLLARS (FAPI)

Selling Rate	@ 125	per H.H.$100
Buying "	@ 130	" H.H.$100

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

	Highest	Lowest
£	4 3/32	4 1/32
U.S. G.$	77 1/2	77 1/4
Yen	—	—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

Cash	SELLING	BUYING December
£ T.T.	4 3/32	4 m/s. l.c. 4 1/32
G.$ T.T.	77 1/4	4 m/s. l.c. 77 1/8
Fcs. T.T.	350	4 m/s. 362
Rs. T.T.	26 3/8	15 d/s. 27

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NEW YORK/LONDON CROSS RATE

New York closing Rate for Cash	3.94 7/8
Local sellers U.S.$ for Cash	3.94 1/2
Local buyers U.S.$ for Cash	3.94 7/8

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 4 1/16 sterling and 7 1/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market opened at 4 1/16 Sterling and 7 1/16 U.S.$. At first quotations were nominal in view of the forthcoming restrictions in Hongkong, but small selling orders caused firmness later, business being done at 4 3/32 sterling and 7 3/32 U.S.$. When these orders were exhausted, however, easier conditions prevailed and the market closed quietly with sellers at:

4 3/4	sterling	7 3/32	U.S.$ Cash
4 3/4	"	7 3/4	" Dec.
4 3/32	"	7 3/32	" Jan.
4 3/32	"	7 1/32	" Feb.

Yesterday's Rice Prices

Changhchu per shih (176 lbs.)	$40.00
Sungkiang "	40.00
Saigon "	38.30

Foreign Exchanges

Dec. 26.

Bombay: Closed.
London: Closed.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.20	Montreal	88.625
Spain	9.95	Brazil	5.10
Holland	53.09 1/2	Japan	23.49
Paris	2.23 3/8	Shanghai	7.85
Brussels	16.65 1/2	Hungary	17.60
Italy	5.05	Rumania	0.73
S'zerland	22.43 1/2	Yugo Slavia	2.35
Sweden	23.83	Greece	0.73
Norway	22.73	Bulgaria	unq.
Denmark	19.33	Finland	2.00

London	3.94 7/8
" Demand	3.94 7/8
" Bankers' 60 days bills	3.94 1/8
" Commercial 60 days bills	3.94 1/8
Buenos Aires, Paper	Unq.
" " market rate	22.70
Montreal on London	4.45 1/2

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

Dec. 26.

London: Closed.

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/8 %B 0 1/8 %A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 1/8 %B 0 1/4 %A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Dec. 27.	Bid Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing	
Atoks	.20	.20	S
Antamok	.165	.165	
Baguio Gold	.17	.18	S
Batong Buhay	.014	.014	S
Benguet Consolidated	5.65	—	
Big Wedge	.24	.245	S
Coco Grove	.17	.17	S
Consolidated Mines	.0035	.0035	S
Demonstration	.115	.115	S
East Mindanao	.11	.115	S
I. X. L.	.42	.42	S
Ipo Gold	.145	.15	S
Itogon	.32	.32	S
Mambulao Consolidated	.020	.020	S
Masbate Consolidated	.12	.12	S
Mine Operations	.115	.115	S
North Camarines	.165	.16	S
Paracale Gumaus	.185	.195	S
San Mauricio	.90	.92	S
Surigao Consolidated	.20	.205	S
Suyoc	.155	.155	S
Syndicate Investment	.026	.026	S
United Paracale	.35	.36	S
Mindanao Motherlode	.095	.0975	S

S—Sales.
•—Over the Counter.

Turnover for the Morning: 373,400 Pesos.
Shares Index: (Morning Session) 82.66.
—Reuter.

Second Interim Dividend Declared by Auto Palace

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Auto Palace Co. Ltd., held yesterday, it was decided to pay a second Interim Dividend of Chinese $1.00 per share on January 10, 1940.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The buoyant tone which was noted at the close before the holidays was very much in evidence yesterday morning and activity ruled throughout the Industrial market: new highs were registered in Trusts, Loans and Lands.

Rubbers showed considerable activity generally but the lower priced shares constituted the bulk of the business. In this category, Chengs, Kelantans, Senawangs and Batus received the greater support; in the more expensive issues, Langkats, Anglo-Javas, and Ziangbes attracted a considerable number of buyers.

In the Debenture market, the outstanding feature was the demand for China Realty 8 per cent., which advanced from 87 to 90 in the transaction of something over a lakh of taels.

Official Averages

1939 High	1939 Low		Today's Averages	Change
307.82	105.32	General	210.56	+1.41
397.35	95.55	Rubbers	305.10	+5.04

Total 396,632 shares, 1,225 bonds.

Morning Session

China Realty 8%		Tael	Debs.	31000	89.50
5000	89.25		16000	89.50	1000 •90.00
2000	89.50		9000	•90.00	2000 90.00
1000	89.50		27000	90.00	1000 •90.00
S'hai Land 6%			Debs. 1931		3500 •91.50
S.M.C. 5%			Debs.		2000 75.00
Power 5 1/2%			Debs.		25000 87.25
Central Prop.			200	15.80	300 16.00
I. I. Trust			1000	10.00	500 10.90
3000	10.80		500	•10.80	1500 10.70
1000	10.60		500	•10.50	1500 10.60
500	10.70				
S'hai Loan			500	•14.70	1000 •14.60
500	14.60		1000	14.50	1000 14.60
1500	14.50				
Yangtsze Finance					1000 9.15
500	9.35		500	9.45	5500 9.40
2000	•9.40		500	9.45	500 •9.40
500	9.45		500	9.50	
Int. Assurance			500	9.00	500 •9.00
S'hai Land			500	11.80	11000 11.90
3000	12.00		1000	12.10	500 12.00
500	12.10		5500	12.00	
New Eng. (Ord)					1200 20.00
Wheelock			200	74.50	700 75.00
400	•75.00				
C. G. Omnibus			200	22.75	100 23.00
Telephone			100	22.25	200 22.50
Tram (Bearer)		£1			300 40.75
200	41.25				
Metal			500	18.70	1300 18.60
200	•18.70		800	18.60	700 •18.60
Kaiping			200	43.75	500 44.00
Lumber					100 39.00
Exploration			5000	8.75	500 8.70
500	8.75		500	8.80	
Power (Pref)					50 128.50
Ewo Mills (Ord)			600	27.00	9800 26.90
200	•26.90		200	27.00	
Anglo Dutch			200	19.00	300 19.10
800	19.00				
Anglo Java			500	39.25	2100 39.50
500	•39.25		800	39.25	
Batu Anam			1000	1.60	7000 1.62
14000	1.60		4000	1.62	
Bute					1000 8.70
Chemor			1000	2.75	6000 2.72 1/2
1000	•2.73 1/2		4000	2.70	1000 2.72 1/2
1000	•2.73 1/2		4000	2.75	
Cheng			15000	0.80	1000 •0.80
7000	0.81		1000	•0.81	12000 0.80
1000	•0.80		4000	0.79	2000 0.78
1000	0.79		12000	0.78	6000 •0.79
1000	0.79				
Consolidated					3500 7.80
Dominion			4000	•11.00	1000 11.00
Java Consolidated					3000 5.10
2000	5.15		2000	•5.20	1000 5.15
2000	•5.20				
Kota			1000	5.50	1000 5.55
Kroewoek			4000	3.25	2000 •3.27 1/2
1000	3.27 1/2		4000	3.25	1000 3.27 1/2
3000	3.25				
Langkat			300	28.00	200 •28.00
300	27.75		100	28.00	500 27.75
100	27.50		300	•27.75	500 27.50
400	27.75				
Padang					1000 2.80
Rerah					8000 1.30
Rubber Trust			2000	8.20	4500 8.25
2000	8.20		2000	•8.20	500 8.25
Semambu			1000	1.62	1000 •1.65
1000	1.64		7000	1.66	400 1.64
Senawang			1000	1.78	2000 1.80
8000	1.82		7000	1.80	10000 1.78
10000	•1.78				
Sedah					500 11.30
Kelantan			1000	0.82	7000 0.85
1000	0.86		7000	0.85	1000 0.86
5000	0.85		2000	0.86	12000 0.85
6000	0.84		1000	•0.84	9000 0.85
Pahang			4000	5.90	1000 •5.90
Seremban					2000 2.85
Sua Manggis					5000 2.35
Tanah Merah			5000	3.50	2000 •3.50
10000	•3.55				
Tebong			3000	1.58	8000 1.60
7000	1.58		1000	•1.60	
Ziangbe			800	28.25	300 •28.25
Cathay Land					1000 •2.00

ODD LOTS

S'hai Loan	200	14.50
S'hai Land	100	11.80
S'hai Loan	100	14.40
Senawang	450	•1.78
Tebong	100	•1.56
Ewo Mills (Ord)	50	26.80
Semambu	500	1.64
Yangtsze Finance	300	9.50
Kelantan	500	0.85
Chemor	700	2.67 1/2
I. I. Trust	200	10.50
S'hai Land	300	11.90
Int. Assurance	100	8.95
S'hai Land	100	11.80
Sungei Duri	30	60.00
S'hai Land	100	•11.80
S. W. W. "A" £20	2	817.50
S'hai Land 150 12.30	100	12.30
Pahang	500	2.67 1/4
S'hai Land	100	12.20

•—Direct Business.

Federal Reserve System Returns

New York, Dec. 26.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended December 20, respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, reveal an increase on total loans amounting to $61,000,000 compared with the previous week, and an increase of $459,000,000 over the corresponding period last year.

Investments show a decrease of $119,000,000 from last week and an increase of $1,264,000,000 over the corresponding period last year.

Loans during the period under review totalled $8,932,000,000 and investments $14,533,000,000.—Reuter.

Permata Estate Sells Three Months' Output

The Agents of the Permata Rubber Estate Ltd., Messrs. Frost, Bland & Co. Ltd., announce that they have sold one quarter of their output from January to March at the price of Sing. $0.39 1/8 per lb.

Kelantan Rubber Output For November

The rubber output of the Shanghai Kelantan Rubber Estates for month of November was 24,212 lbs.

Paris Bourse

Paris, Dec. 26.

The Bourse opened today after the Christmas holidays with the situation calm on the exchange market, which was firm. Most stocks recorded gains in some cases considerable gains, during the session.—Havas.

Japanese Govt. Bond

Osaka, Dec. 27.

Kogo 5% 105.38
—Reuter.

British Markets Remain Closed

All markets in Great Britain remained closed on December 26, on the occasion of Boxing Day.

Asia Realty Sold For $1,745,000

Messrs. Bills and Bourne Purchase Company Subject To Approval by Judge

The Asia Realty Company, Federal, Inc., U.S.A., was sold to Messrs. F. P. Bills and George Bourne, American businessmen in Shanghai, for $1,745,000 at an auction in the United States Court for China yesterday morning. The purchase is subject to confirmation and approval by Judge Milton J. Helmick in the United States Court for China on January 8, 1940. Dr. George Sellett, Trustee of the estate of the Asia Realty Co., presided at yesterday's auction while Mr. N. E. Lurton represented Messrs Bills and Bourne and Mr. N. F. Allman represented the intending buyers.

The original plan of reorganization of the real estate company was made possible by an offer from Messrs. Bills and Bourne, by the terms of which they agreed to pay into the company $1,650,000 in cash as new capital in exchange for new common voting shares of the company. This offer was made subject to the condition that a plan of reorganization containing the terms and conditions of the plan filed should be confirmed by the U.S. Court for China. The plan of reorganization was filed in the U.S. Court for China on December 9 by Dr. Sellett.

Under this plan of reorganization, the sum of $1,400,000 was to be used by the Trustee to carry the plan into effect and the remaining sum of $250,000 was to be used by the reorganized company as operating cash. The rights of all present stockholders of the company shall be deemed extinguished, their share certificates considered cancelled and they shall have no claim against the company.

Debenture Interest

Upon confirmation of the plan the two years' interest in arrears on Debentures will be paid. Outstanding Debentures amount to $5,958,321.67. The Debenture Trust Deeds provide that the company shall put up an additional security in the event that the aggregate value of the security held by the Trustee for Debenture holders falls below a certain amount. The plan suspends this provision of the Trust Deeds for a period of three years, provided, however, that during said period the company shall make semi-annual interest payments in full on due dates. The rights of holders of first mortgages, amounting to $794,230.77, are not affected by the plan.

After the plan was filed on December 9 the Trustee received indications that other persons desired to make a higher offer under the plan that that made by Messrs. Bills and Bourne. Consequently, on December 13 Judge Helmick ordered that the Trustee should receive such higher offers in the U.S. Court for China yesterday morning. The bidding yesterday was opened at $1,650,000 and eventually rose to $1,745,000 at which price the original buyers obtained the company. Before the bidding started each party was ordered to deliver to the Trustee of the Asia Realty Company the sum of U.S.$15,000 as a guarantee of performance.

U.S. Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 26.

Cotton prices ruled fairly active, and early advanced on improved buying, price-fixing and a good trade demand. However, there was some hedging on the scale-up. Later, the market forged further ahead on general buying and shorts covering. Closing conditions were firm, with prices ranging from 7 to 17 points up from the previous final levels.

The market for raw rubber futures was quiet with trading mixed. Moderate hedging was met by nervous short covering. At the last call over, quotations were from 10 points down to 25 points up from Friday's close.

Chicago wheat values early ruled easy on reports of precipitation received in the drought-stricken areas and liquidation. However, the market later strengthened progressively on speculative buying, shorts covering and on the belief that the moisture received was inadequate. Quotations closed at the day's high, ranging from 3/4 cent to 1 1/8 cents above Saturday's close.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Jan.	11.00-00 +07		
Mar.	10.89-89 +14		
May	10.57-58 +17	Mar.	19.13-14 +03
July	10.14-14 +10	May	18.85-90 unc.
July	(N.C.) 10.35-35 +11	July	B/A 18.55-60 —10
Oct.	(N.C.) 9.63-63 +09		B/A
Dec.	(N.C.) 9.54 N +07		

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Mar.	1.95-96 —03 B/A	Mar.	1.57 1/2-58 —01 B/A
May	1.99-2.00 —04 B/A	May	1.57 1/2-58 1/2—2 1/2 B/A
Sept.	2.03-04 —05 B/A	Sept.	1.60 1/2-61 —01 B/A

Chicago Wheat	Chicago Corn
May 103 1/2-03 1/2 +1 1/8	May 58 3/4-58 3/4 +1 1/8
July 101 1/8-101 1/4 +1 1/8	

Winnipeg Wheat		New York Silk No. 1
May	Closed	Mar. 4.37-1/2 B +15

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

U.S. Steel Mill Operations

New York, Dec. 26.

The American Iron and Steel Institute, in its weekly report, places steel mill activity for the week commencing December 25, at 73.7 per cent., of capacity.

This represents a drop of 16.3 per cent., from the previous week and a gain of 34.9 per cent., over the corresponding period last year.—Reuter.

New York Metals

New York, Dec. 26.

New York Metals: Tin, Straits, c.i.f. New York (25 ton lots) 49 3/4 cents for lb. unch.; Copper, Electrolytic, first hand, 12 1/2 cents per lb., unch.—Reuter.

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Dec. 26.

Stock prices on Wall Street today closed mostly with fractional losses.

The market acted sluggishly, with tax-selling and reinvestment demand reported to be inconsequential.

Steels ruled easy, owing to the slump in steel mill activity, while the Publication "Steel" says that the new year will probably bring a moderate increase in steel exports.

Aircrafts held steady on the possibility of sharp expansion in the Anglo-French demand.

Meanwhile, many quarters are still hoping for a moderate year-end rally.

The turnover today totalled 720,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	150.11	148.83	149.27	—0.58
20 Rails	31.65	31.26	31.37	—0.21
15 Utilit.	25.05	24.76	24.91	Unch.
40 Bonds	—	—	89.09	—0.10
11 Commod.	—	—	63.64	+0.54

	Dec. 23	26
Adams Exp	8 1/8	8 1/4
Alg Lud Stl	21 1/2	21 1/2
Allid Stores	9	8 3/4
Allis Chal	39 1/4	39 1/4
Alumin Ld	96	96 1/2
Amer Can	113	112 1/2
Am Cyan B	32 1/2	32 1/2
Am For Pr	1 1/2	1 1/2
" $7 pfd.	23 1/2	25 1/2
Am G & E	37 1/2	37 1/2
Am Loco	20 1/2	20 1/2
Am Metal	23	22 1/2
Am Radtr	9 1/8	9 1/2
Am R Mill	16 1/8	16 1/2
Am Smltg	51 1/2	50 1/2
Am Sug R	20 1/2	20
Am T & T	170	170 1/8
Am Tob B	84 1/2	85
An Arwwks	11 1/8	11 1/4
Anaconda	30 1/8	30 1/2
Atchison	24 1/2	24
Auburn	*23	23
Bald Loco	17 1/2	17 1/8
B & Ohio	5 1/8	5 1/4
Barber	14 1/8	14 1/2
Barns Oil	12 1/8	12 1/2
Bendix	30	30 1/4
Beth Steel	82	81 1/8
Bliss	*13 1/4	13 3/8
Boeing	22 1/4	21 1/8
Borg Warn	24 1/8	24 1/8
Briggs	21 1/8	21 1/4
Bkn-M Tr	14	13 3/4
" $6 pfd.	48 1/4	48 1/2
Budd Mfg	5 1/8	5 1/8
Can. Pac	4 1/8	4
Case J I	*70	70 1/4
Celanese	29 1/4	29 1/2
Chase N B	*35 1/2	—
Ches & O	39 1/8	39 1/8
Chrysler	89 1/8	89 1/2
Cim Mlyb	39 1/4	39
Colts	*81	80 1/2
Col G & E	6 1/8	6 1/8
" 6% pd	*84 1/2	85 1/2
Com Cred	45 1/4	45 1/4
Com & Sth	1 1/8	1 1/8
Cons Edis	30	29 1/2
Cons Oil	7 1/8	7 1/8
Cont Can	42 1/2	42
Cont Oil	23 1/2	22 1/8
Copwld St	*16	16 1/4
Corn Prod	63	62 1/2
Curtis Wr	10 1/8	10
" "A"	28 1/8	28 1/8
Deere & Co	23 1/2	23 3/8
Dist Cpn S	19 1/2	19
Du Pont	179	179
Douglas	81 1/2	81 1/4
Eag P Lead	11 1/2	11
Eaton Mfg	29 1/8	29 1/8
Elc A Lite	37 1/2	37 1/4
Elec B & S	7 1/2	7 1/4
" $5 pfd.	*58 1/4	*58 1/2
" $6 pfd	67 1/2	67
E P & Lt	31	31
Flintkote	19 1/2	20
Gen Am Tr	*55	55 1/2
Gen Elec	40 1/8	40
Gen Motors	54 1/8	54 1/4
Gen Rly Sig	18 1/8	18 1/2
Gen T & R	22	*21 1/2
Glidden	*17	16 1/2
Goodrich	19 1/8	19 1/4
" $5 pfd.	*65	65
Goodyear	23 1/4	23 3/8
Gt N I Ore	17 1/2	17 1/8
Gt N Rly	26 1/8	26
Gt W Sugar	28 1/2	28 1/2
Greyhound	16 1/2	16 1/2
Here Pow	89	89
Homestake	59 1/8	59 1/2
Int Harv	61	60
Int Nickel	37 1/2	36 1/8
Int T & T	4 1/2	4 1/4
Johns Man	75 1/2	74 1/4
Jones & L	*63	65

	Dec. 22	26
Kennecott	38 1/8	38
Lak F & M	*4	*3 7/8
Libbey O F	51 1/4	51
Lockheed	30	30 1/8
Loews	36 1/2	36 1/4
Mack Trks	*27 1/8	*26
Martin, G	39 1/2	40
McK & R	*16 1/2	16 1/8
Monsanto	107	107
Mont Ward	54 1/8	54 1/4
Nat Avian	13	13 1/4
Nat City B	*27 1/4	—
Nat Dairy	16 1/2	16 1/8
Nat Distrs	24	23
Nat Gyp	11 1/8	10 1/8
Nat Lead	20	19 1/8
Nat P & L	8 1/8	8 1/8
N Y Steel	69 1/2	69
Nat Supply	8 1/4	8 1/8
N Y Cent	18 1/2	18
Niag Hud	5 1/8	5 1/8
N A Avian	25 1/8	25 1/8
N Am Co	22 1/2	22
N Pacific	8 1/2	8 1/8
O I Glass	62 1/2	61 1/8
Pac G & E	33 1/8	33 1/8
Pac Lgtg	48 1/2	*48 1/8
Packard	3 1/2	3 1/4
Paramount	7 1/8	7 1/4
Penn R R	23 1/4	23 1/8
Phelps D	41 1/2	41 1/4
P & R Coal	*08	*08
Phil Pet	40 1/8	40 1/8
Pitts C & I	*7 1/8	*7 1/8
P S of NJ	40 3/8	40
Pullman	31 1/2	31 1/4
Pure Oil	8 1/4	8
Radio	5 1/4	5 1/4
Reading	15 1/4	15 1/4
" 1st pfd	*25 1/2	26
Rem Arms	*4 1/4	*4 1/8
Rep Avian	5 1/8	5 1/8
Rep Steel	23 1/2	23
Rev C & B	13 1/8	*13 1/4
Rey Tob B	37 1/8	37 1/4
Richfield	7 1/8	7 1/8
Safeway	46 1/2	47
Schenley	12 1/4	11 1/8
Sears Roeb	83 1/8	83 1/4
Shell U Oil	12 1/8	12 1/8
Soc-Vac	11 1/8	11 1/8
Sthrn Pac	14 1/8	14 1/4
Sthrn Rly	33 1/8	33
Sperry	45 1/2	45 1/8
Spicer	*33 1/4	34 1/8
Std Brands	5 1/8	5 1/8
Std G & E	2	2
Std Oil of C	25 1/2	25
Std O of NJ	44 1/8	44 1/2
Stone & W	11 1/8	11 1/8
Studebaker	9 1/8	9 1/8
Swift Int	32	31
Technicor	12 1/4	12 1/2
Tex Cpn	44	43 1/2
Tex Gulf	32 1/4	31 1/2
Transamer	6 1/8	6
Tw Cent	12 1/2	12
T C F pfd	*23 1/8	*24 1/2
Un Carbide	87 1/8	88
Un Pacific	94 1/2	94
Un Aircraft	46 1/2	47
Un Air L	15 1/2	15 1/2
Un Corpn	2 1/8	2 1/2
" $3 pfd.	38 1/4	38 1/2
Un Gas	1 1/2	1 1/8
Un G Imp	14 1/2	14 1/2
Un G Imp	14 1/4	14 1/4
U S Ind Al	24 1/2	24 1/2
U S Rubber	40 1/4	40 1/4
" 8% pfd	112 1/2	111 1/2
U S Steel	67 1/8	66 1/2
Vanadium	33 1/4	33 1/2
Walworth	5 1/2	5 1/8
War Br Pic	3 1/8	3 1/8
West Elec	*116 1/2	116 1/4
Woodward	*23 1/2	23 1/2

BONDS

	Dec. 18	26
Amer. & For. Power 5s 2030	62 1/2	64 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio R.R. 5s 1995	26 1/2	26 1/2
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	18 1/2	18
Brazil (U.S. of) 6 1/2% 1957	15 1/4	14 1/2
Cities Serv. Pwr.	91 1/8	91 1/2
Erie R.R. 6s 1967	15 1/2	15 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s 1955	41 1/2	40 3/8
New England Gas & Elec. 5s	69 1/8	68 1/2
Republic of Colombia 6s 1961	30	*30
Republic of Colombia (1928) 6s	30	30
Sthrn. Pacific Co. 4 1/2s '68	45	45 1/2
Stand. Gas & Elec. 6s 1951	66 1/2	66 1/4

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCK

	Dec. 19	26
Alaska Juneau	6 1/4	6 1/2
Amer. Brake Shoe & Fdry.	45 1/2	46
Amer. Hide & Leather	5 1/8	6
A.P.W. Paper Co.	2 1/2	3 3/8
Ass. Gas & Elec. $5 pfd.	*4 1/4	4 1/2
Atlan. Gulf & W. Ind. pfd.	17	*14 1/2
Atlan. Refining	21	21
Atlas Corp.	8 1/4	8 1/2
Bank of Montreal	208	—
Bellanca Aircraft Corp.	7	*7
Callanhan Zinc & Lead	1 1/4	1 1/4
Comm. & Sthrn. $6 cum. pfd.	65 1/2	67 1/4
Colorada Fuel & Iron, Warrants	*6 1/2	6 1/2
Coml. Solvents	13 1/8	13
Consolid. Aircraft	28	29
Consumers Pwr. $4.50 pfd.	101 1/2	100 1/2
Cont. Roll & Steel Fdry.	7 1/8	*6 1/2
Coty Inc.	4 1/2	4 1/8
Coty Int.	1	01
Crown Zellerbach	17 1/8	17 1/4
Delaware & Hudson	22 3/8	22 1/2
Elec. Boat Co.	15 1/4	15 1/2
Elec. Power & Lt.	6 1/8	6 1/8
Erie Rly. (com.)	1 1/2	1 1/2
Gen. Foods	47	47 1/2
Int. Paper & Power	14 1/4	13 1/8
Lorillard	23 3/8	23 3/8
Lorillard	23 3/8	23 1/8
Mountain City	4	4 1/4
Mueller Brass	25	25 1/8
Nash Kelvinator	6 1/4	6 1/8
Nat. Power & Lt. $6 pfd.	92 1/2	93
Poor Mfg. "B"	11 1/4	12
Rayonier Inc.	16 3/8	17 1/8
Royal Bank of Canada	185	—
Schenley 5 1/2% pfd.	70 1/4	70
Scott Paper	47 1/8	47 1/4
Scovill Mfg.	30	30
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	27 3/8	27 1/8
Sthrn. Rly. com.	19 3/8	19 1/8
Sterling Prods.	79	79 1/8
Texas Pacific Land Trust	5 3/8	5 1/8
Tidewater Ass. Oil	10	10 1/8
Timken Detroit Axle	22	*22 1/8
Un. Light & Power "A"	1 1/4	—
U. S. Pipe & Fdry.	36	35 1/8
U. S. Realty & Imp.	1 1/2	1 1/2
U. S. Smelt. Ref. & Min.	62 1/2	60 1/2
Westinghouse Air Brakes	27	26 3/8
Yellow Truck & Coach "B"	18 3/8	18 1/8
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	47 1/8	46 1/2

WEEKLY CLOSING BOND

	Dec. 18	26
Anglo-Chilean Nitrate Corp.	40 1/2	37 1/2
Argentine 4s 1972	78 3/8	80 1/8
Bethlehem Steel 3 1/2s 1966	104 1/2	104 1/4
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	84 1/2	84
Chic. Milwaukee, St. Paul	6 1/8	6

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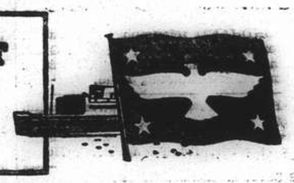

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PRES. TAFT	Jan. 29	PRES. TAFT	Mar. 25
PRES. CLEVELAND	Feb. 12	PRES. CLEVELAND	Apr. 8

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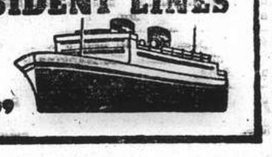

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ms. SORHOLT	Dec. 30	Jan. 19	Jan. 22	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Feb. 21
ms. REINHOLT	Jan. 27	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Mar. 13	Mar. 16	Mar. 19
ms. DONA ANICETA	Feb. 18	Mar. 11	Mar. 14	Apr. 6	Apr. 9	Apr. 12

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All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule, the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From LISBON
Torrens 10/12 30/1

From TRIESTE
Fusijama 21/11 10/1
C. Verde 21/12 17/1

From KARACHI
Fusijama 16/12 10/1

From SOERABAYA
Tjisadane 22/12 9/1

From MANILA
G. Maersk 24/12 30/12
P. Pierce 27/12 1/1

From HONGKONG
See "China Ports" below.

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK
Vigrid 10/10 29/12
D. Aurora — 6/1
L. Maersk 25/11 10/1
A. Maersk 9/12 24/1

From LOS ANGELES
P. Coolidge 11/12 2/1
L. Maersk 16/12 10/1

From HONOLULU
P. Coolidge 20/12 2/1

From PORTLAND
Delhi — 31/12

From NAGASAKI
Nagasaki M. 27/12 29/12

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN
Tegelberg 15/12 22/1

From DURBAN
Tegelberg 21/12 22/1

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN
Dairen M. 28/12 30/12

From HONGKONG
G. Maersk 27/12 30/12

Vessels Discharging

TAI PING The m.s. Tai Ping from New York via ports is now discharging her cargo at The Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co's Old Ningpo Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their bills of lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns is to be borne by Consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within fifteen (15) days after vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at The Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co's Old Ningpo Wharf at 9 a.m. on December 30, 1939, when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will be in attendance. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Agents 17 Canton Road, Telephone 11369. 28-12

GLENSTRAE. The m.v. Glenstrae, from London and Ports.—This vessel is now discharging all her cargo (except Opium and Munitions of War), at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their cargo. (Consignees of "Bulk Cargo, will further be required to send their representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst it is being landed). All claims against this vessel must be sent in within fourteen days from date of vessel's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risk of Fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of cargo. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at the Holt's Wharf, on December 30, at 10 a.m. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents. 29-12

MEMNON. From Liverpool arrived on Dec. 26, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on January 4, 1940. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Thursday, January 4, 1940, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 30-12

Vessels Sailing

The undermentioned vessels are due to sail from Shanghai upon the dates indicated.

For LIVERPOOL
Hakone Maru 28/12
Kasima Maru 5/1

For GENOA
C. Verde 21/1

For CAPETOWN
Tegelberg 24/1

For JAVA
Tjitjalengka 28/12

For MANILA
P. Coolidge 3/1

For NEW YORK
G. Maersk 1/1
Nagara Maru 8/1
H. Maersk 15/1

For SAN FRANCISCO
P. Pierce 2/1
Delhi 2/1
P. Coolidge 16/1
Arga 16/1
P. Taft 29/1

For YOKOHAMA
Hakozaki Maru 30/12

For KOBE
Taiyo Maru 2/1

For NAGASAKI
Nagasaki Maru 29/12
Shanghai Maru 27/1

For DAIREN
Tsingtao Maru 29/12
Dairen Maru 2/1
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Weather, Time and Tide

SICCAWEI

Thursday, Dec. 28, 1939 (18th day of 11th moon)	Dec. 26 16.00	Dec. 26 21.00	Dec. 27 4.00	Dec. 27 9.00
Barometer inches	30.36	30.39	30.37	30.43
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.01	0.00	0.00	+0.01
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.01	—0.03	+0.01	+0.04
Wind (direction)	WSW	WSW	W	W
" (miles per hour)	11.3	8.7	9.9	6.8
Temperature (Fahr.)	49.6°	27.8°	33.4°	40.1°
Humidity %	44	70	89	75
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	0	0	6	1
Rainfall inches				

Siccawei Abridged Report December 26	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.38	—0.02	30.30
Temp. Min. 26.°4 Max. 55.°8	41.°1	+2.°8	40.°1
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	47.08	—	44.48

Time and Tide	28/12	29/12	30/12	31/12	1/1
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.51	6.51	6.52	6.52	6.53
Sun sets at Shanghai	16.58	16.59	17.00	17.00	17.02
Moon rises at Shanghai	19.08	20.15	21.20	22.25	23.29
Moon sets at Shanghai	7.56	8.46	9.31	10.12	10.53
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	11.16	12.20	13.05	13.52	14.47
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	17.02	17.45	18.25	6.00	6.55
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	13.15	13.55	04.55	15.50	16.50
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	7.93	7.82	7.62	7.40	7.15

Post Office Notices

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THURSDAY, December 28.	Reg.	Ord
Formosa via Keelung	*20.00	7.30
Hongkong	8.30	9.00
Aust. N.Z. Manila and Java Ports	10.00	11.00
Amoy Hongkong and Canton	10.30	11.00
Swatow via Amoy	10.30	11.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	19.30	20.00
Minnow Foochow	19.30	20.00
FRIDAY, December 29.		
Japan and Korea via Nagasaki	*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Yungkia Wenchow	X *20.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung	*20.00	7.30
U.S.S.R. and Europe via Siberia	*20.00	8.00
Hongkong and Haiphong	8.30	10.00
Hongkong	9.30	10.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	13.00	13.30
Nantung	14.30	15.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez and Europe via Suez	AX 14.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	X 15.30	16.00
SATURDAY, December 30.		
Weihaiwei Chefoo and Tientsin	10.00	10.20
Central America and Canal Zone	B —	—
Indo-China (Z) via Haiphong	C —	—
Hongkong	19.30	20.00
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	20.00	20.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Indo-China, Straits, Ceylon, Egypt, E-Soudan, France and other countries, closes at 12.00 on 29th.
B Parcel mail for Central America and Canal Zone, closes at 16.00 on 30th.
C Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 30th.
X Provisional time—subject to alterations.
Z Parcel mail only.

Next parcel mail for U.S.A., closes on Dec. 30, 1939.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service per steamer on December 28, at 10 a.m. for registered and at 11 a.m. for ordinary due London on January 10.
Pan American Airways Service per steamer on Dec. 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary due San Francisco on January 9.
Air France per steamer on December 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary.
Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Batavia-Naples) per steamer to Hongkong.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per steamer to Hongkong.
Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service: daily at 8 p.m.

Domestic Air Mail

Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line at 9.45 a.m. and 12.00, at Yuhang Road Sub-Office at 9.15 a.m. and 11.30 a.m.
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Light Train Mail

Via N.S.R. 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Kiangpei offices north and west of Jukao 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Hangchow 11.20 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
North Pinghan and Lunghai (Chenghsien and east thereof) 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
Wuhu Twaining, Kiukiang and Hankow 8.45 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.
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Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
Per steamer via Suez, Dec. 29, due L'don Jan. 31.
Per steamer Pacific, Dec. 31, due London Jan. 31.
Per steamer via Suez, Jan. 4, due London Feb. 2.

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per Kaiping, Dec. 26 from Chinwangtao: Mr. & Mrs. Dao Chagas, Miss J. S. Hubert, Miss R. and A. Geroni, Mr. & Mrs. Pettus, Mrs. Salisburg, Mrs. V. Geroni, Miss M. Carette.

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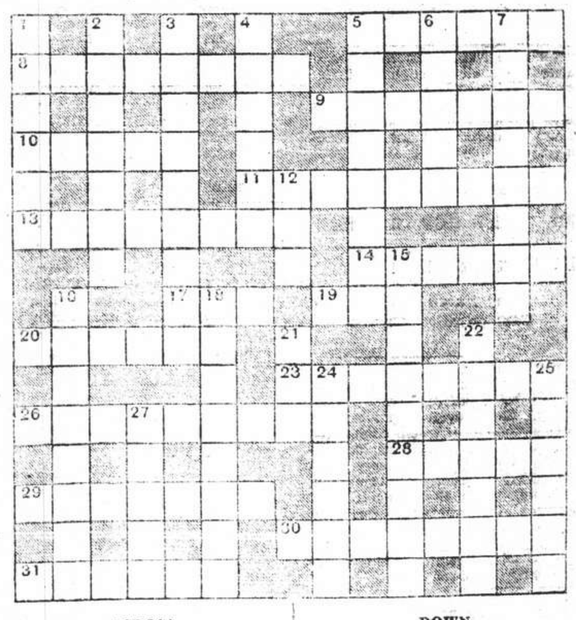

ACROSS

5 Empty flats for the use of anglers
8 Wreckers always expected to find this barrel in the trough of the waves
9 Put into order what the bomber has to get within
10 One reason for a vessel being in dock
11 Apparently it would take only two of him to make a theatrical company
13 Because baby is this it doesn't follow that he will become a good forward
14 You will find there's the making of a woman here
17 Cold indeed
19 Presumably at the foot of the first leaf of the pamplet given to the bad boy put on probation
20 Greeting from an African musical instrument
23 Was ahead after the beginning but got a scare
26 Oriental gratuity
28 Drink in times of old
29 This pestile has some standing in school life
30 A wild flower
31 Father's attempt at cooking

DOWN

1 This makes her sad
2 A warming pick-me-up
3 Sea fish, not a lure for roach
4 Clumsy like this is not right in France
5 Because a beast has these it sounds as if it is a quadruped
6 You may find a relation in this town of the U.S.A.
7 and this you will only have to look in company
12 Part of 23 across
15 Nickname
16 Surely this ought not to be a trunk call for a New Yorker?
18 "No —— that to great ones longs not the king's, crown... become them with one half so good a grace as mercy does" ("Measure for Measure")
21 Quadruped
22 An advocate
24 "I have a faint cold fear —s through my veins" ("Romeo and Juliet")
25 Corrupt a geographical feature
27 Was this British author a quick writer?

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—ACROSS: 2. Climbed; 8. Hash; 9. Errata; 10. Cleft; 11. Fetish; 12. Amused; 15. Zinc; 14. Bale; 16. Hemp; 17. Attempt; 18. Clef; 21. Spry; 23. Andiron; 24. Purr; 25. Fife; 27. Apse; 28. Bathos; 29. Kidney; 30. Terse; 31. Quince; 32. Nice; 33. Reeling. DOWN: 1. Zareba; 2. Chaise; 3. Inch; 4. Blériot; 5. Detachment; 6. Draughts; 7. Streamer; 15. Bandmaster; 19 Laudanum; 20. Farthing; 23. Reserve; 25. Fading; 26. Fleece; 29. Kepi.

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Cortellazzo	Hongkong	L. Triestino
Kaisyo M.	Sakito	N.Y.K.
Anwoo	Hsinkong	Dah Hsing
Keian M.	Husan	N.Y.K.
Hsuchow	Tientsin	T.K.K.
H. Kiangnan	T'senkong	Foo Hwa
Avemaria	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Luise	Hsinkong	G.M.C.
Hakone M.	Moji	N.Y.K.
Bonho	Hsinkong	Dong Shing
Tsingtao M.	Dairen	D.K.K.
Chekiang M.	Tsungming	T.K.K.
Lipari	T'lungkong	Dong Shing
Karsten	T'lungkong	Chin Dah
Unkai M. 2	Takao	T.K.K.
Meinan	Ningpo	S.V.O.C.
Taiko M. 18	Hsinkong	T.K.K.
Sandro Sandri	T'lungkong	Chu Foong
Romolo	Liuho Point	V. Chieri

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Romolo	Ital.	V. Chieri
Nantung M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Shanghai M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
Heini	Ger.	Ship. Agency.
Besholt	Nor.	De La Rama.
Needwood	Pan.	T.K.K.
Kasyu M.	Jap.	T.K.K.
H. Kiangnan	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Sultai	Br.	Chu Foong

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Marblehead	Am.	Cr.	B.N.B.
Oahu	Am.	Gbt.	U.S.N.B.
Piegon 6	Am.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
E. Carlotto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.

Recent Sea Events Emphasize British Naval Strength

Incidents in Week Before Christmas Show Superiority Over German Navy

London, Dec. 26.

EVENTS during the week just before Christmas conclusively proved that the Allied navies today enjoy complete mastery of the seas and that the Royal Air Force and Royal Navy, while still separate units, are co-operating with the best of results, British observers said today. The air raid over Heligoland brought to light revolutionary tactics for an air force, showing how planes can help naval units in tending to keep German war vessels bottled up in naval bases. These tactics proved their value since no German warship could clear its base and even attempt to attack the convoy that brought over a whole division of Canadian troops across the Atlantic to British shores.

It was emphasized here that the manœuvre, known as the "security patrol," is not an opportunistic measure, however. It was not decided upon on the spur of the moment, but was part and parcel of the plan providing for the closest possible co-operation among all British armed forces.

Dealing with purely naval encounters of late, including the Admiral Graf Spee's bottling-up Montevideo, naval experts declared that operations to date have served only to confirm the Royal Navy's undoubted superiority over the German Fleet vessel for vessel, gun for gun.

The exploits of the submarines Ursula and Salmon, too, have given rise to wide comment in London. They are taken here as reliable indications of what British naval units can do under difficult conditions.

Ursula's Feat

The Uraula, the experts recalled, penetrated German minefields in the vicinity of the shallow mouth of the River Elbe, slipped past a cordon of six German destroyers and, risking aerial attack under unfavourable conditions, torpedoed and sank a cruiser of the Koeln class.

Satisfied with this success, the submarine then proceeded to evade the six destroyers, now all rapidly searching for her, again passed through the minefields and returned safe and sound to a British port.

The Salmon, for her part showed British obedience to international law when she permitted the German crack liner Bremen to pass unharmed although within torpedo range. The next day the same submarine attacked and sank one German cruiser and seriously damaged, at least, one other cruiser.

Berlin, it was pointed out, admitted serious damage to the cruiser Leipzig. —Havas.

French Naval Chief Sends Message

Tribute to His Forces; Confidence in Eventual Victory Expressed

Paris, Dec. 26.

A message of confidence in the just cause and final victory of the Allies was addressed to the French Navy today by Admiral François Darlan, Commander in Chief of the Fleet, who stated:

"After four months of war, I take this opportunity to express to the naval forces my satisfaction over the results already obtained through their silent perseverance, high sense of duty and full understanding of the importance of the activities of the Fleet.

"In close co-operation with the valiant British Fleet, we have assured the integrity of the maritime routes which make a reality of the French empire and which permit it, thanks to the merchant marine to which I am happy to pay tribute, to rely on the resources of the world.

"I salute the memory of those sailors who perished either on board warships or in naval aircraft and I wish to address to all of you my warmest best wishes and the assurance that, in the test that war conditions impose on so many, I will not lose sight of the dangers of your task.

"The sea defenders of our country and civilization as a whole must embark on the new year, 1940, with the certainty that moral forces are invincible and that victory will crown our efforts," Admiral Darlan concluded his Christmas message.—Havas.

Calm Reigns Again in Londonderry Prison

Bruises Evident After Fight with Wardens

London, Dec. 25.

Calm reigned today in the Londonderry prison where 46 Irish Republican Army prisoners mutinied yesterday, calling forth reprisals from the authorities in the way of solitary confinement and abrogation of all privileges.

The Governor of the prison announced merely that prison life had returned to normal by this morning.

Most of the men who participated in the mutiny yesterday, Christmas Day, show signs of the resultant encounter with wardens in the form of bruises and other slight injuries. None is seriously hurt.

It also was revealed today that twelve prisoners of the Londonderry jail were released just before Christmas upon signing a pledge of allegiance to King George.—Havas.

Bad Times For Students In Czechoslovakia

Many Faced with Life in Concentration Camps

Budapest, Dec. 26.

Anti-student measures in Prague, capital of former Czechoslovakia, daily are being enforced with greater severity. Latest decrees prevent the youths, a number of whom engineered the November 16 anti-Nazi demonstrations, not only from continuing their studies but even from remaining at liberty. After the executions of November 17, repressive measures provided that all students of more than 21 years of age should be sent to forced labour camps in the Reich.

The only condition on which the German authorities would release students of over 21 was that they should find work within 48 hours of the decree. A large number found jobs in hospitals.

But the latest measure against them is that which demanded all hospitals to discharge former students since their work was regarded as educational and therefore illegal. The students therefore face incarceration in German concentration camps.—Havas.

Clippers Delayed By Weather

Manila, Dec. 27.

The China Clipper delayed its departure from Manila until dawn tomorrow because of bad weather. It will arrive at San Francisco on January 2, Manila time.

The California Clipper is due from Guam this afternoon. It will depart for Hongkong tomorrow and return on December 29. The Clipper will leave for the United States on December 31 and will arrive at San Francisco on January 5, Manila time.

The Philippine Clipper will arrive at Manila on January 1 and will leave for Hongkong the following day. It will depart for the United States on January 5, arriving there on January 10, Manila time.—United Press.

U.S. Lines Ask to Sell Eight Ships

Washington, Dec. 27.

The United States Lines has asked the Maritime Commission's permission to sell eight ships to the North Atlantic Transport Company, a Norwegian corporation, it was learned last night.

If the Maritime Commission approves the sale, the ships will be operated between New York, Liverpool and London. The United States Lines previously sought to transfer the same ships to Panamanian registry.—United Press.

Welcome of Australian Air Squadron in Britain

Arrival Brings Enthusiasm In France

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Dec 27.

News of the arrival of an Australian air squadron in Great Britain yesterday has been received with enthusiasm in France.

The squadron's first experience of wartime service will be with the British Coastal Command.

Sir Kingsley Wood, Secretary of State for Air, was represented at the port of arrival by Air Commodore T.E.B. Howe, original member of the Australian Expeditionary Force in the last war, who was wounded on the first day of the landing at Gallipoli at the end of April, 1915.

Air Commodore Howe declared that this country was impressed with the ready response Australia had made to the Empire training scheme, and by the part she was taking in the production of aircraft independently of the home country.

Another welcoming message came from the Australian High Commissioner in London, Mr. S. M. Bruce, who referred to the high addition of the Australian Air Force, which he knew would be maintained in association with the Royal Air Force.—Reuter.

Attachments on Cargo of German Vessel

Miami, Fla., Dec. 26.

Two new attachments today were clapped on the cargo carried by the German freighter Arauca, which sought refuge in Lauderdale harbour a few days ago upon meeting a British warship shortly after leaving Vera Cruz. One attachment is made out for the sum of $99,394, while the other is for $1,000. These claims, together with others already formulated, raise the total sum owed by the owners of the Arauca to $103,845. If the freighter is to be permitted to leave the owners, it was announced, will have to post bail of $277,690.—Havas.

Nazis Reorganizing U.S. Propaganda

Washington, Dec. 27.

It is learned from reliable sources that Herr Theo Habicht, former Nazi district chief in Austria before the Anschluss, has been appointed Under-Secretary of State to the Wilhelmstrasse with the principal task of cleaning out the German propaganda services in the United States and reorganizing them.—Havas.

Japanese Reich Envoy Removed from Post

Tokyo, Dec. 27.

Lieut.-Gen. Hiroshi Oshima, former Japanese Ambassador to Germany, today was relieved of his office of Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador Plenipotentiary. Lieut.-Gen. Oshima tendered his resignation while he was still in Germany.—Domei.

Envoys to Poland Go To Angers

Angers, Dec. 27.

The diplomatic representatives of six countries have so far arrived at Angers, the seat of the new Polish Government, namely, Britain, France, the United States, Brazil, Czechoslovakia and Egypt. The representatives of Turkey, China, Uruguay, Portugal, and Chile are expected to arrive shortly.—Reuter.

99 Killed, 28 Injured; Suspects Arrested

Berlin, Dec. 26.

The Superintendents of Works at the Markdolf and Kluftern railway stations were arrested by the authorities on the charge of being to blame for Friday's tragic train wreck on the Sadolfzell-Friedrichshaven line, official D.N.B. (German) news agency reported tonight. The final casualty list for the accident also was established today; it declared 99 persons were killed and 28 injured.—Havas.

Much Success Claimed For Guerillas

Year's Action in Chekiang Told by Correspondent

Reviewing the results of guerilla warfare in Chekiang during the past year, a "Shun Pao" correspondent in Kinhwa states that more than 200 battles were fought and about 9,000 Japanese soldiers killed during the period. Most of these battles were fought in west Chekiang where in addition to Hangchow which is a municipality, only 12 hsiens have been occupied by the Japanese. The position of guerillas in West Chekiang is said to be well established and their achievements are said to be satisfactory.

The railways and highways in the provinces have been damaged by guerillas more than 200 times. Fifty bridges have been destroyed. Between 80 and 90 steam launches used by the Japanese have been either sunk or destroyed. In addition to 50 military trucks, the guerillas captured more than 30 heavy machine guns and other war material. It is pointed out that the flat terrain in west Chekiang is mostly unsuitable for guerilla warfare and therefore the results should be considered satisfactory.

It is stated that since the fall of Hangchow two years ago, the strength of guerillas has been growing until this year when they entered the second period of development. Many of them have been reorganized and reinforced and since the spring of this year they have renewed their military operations. They have been fighting the Japanese continuously during April and June in the vicinity of the Nanking-Hangchow Highway and in September two military trains on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway were wrecked with heavy losses.

While admitting that little fighting has taken place daily, the entry of Chinese forces into Hangchow in October and the big "counter-siege" battle fought in Wuhing, Tsungdeh, Tunghsiang and nearby areas are described as the biggest battles fought during the past year. Between March of last year and November of this year the Japanese have mobilized several times against guerillas in West Chekiang but is claimed that they were driven back with heavy losses especially in the case of Haiyen which has been recaptured by the Chinese.

Seiyukai President Completes Trip

Leaves Shanghai by Plane For Tokyo

Completing a survey of conditions in Central China after another interview Tuesday afternoon with Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who will head the projected new Central Government of China, Mr. Fusanosuke Kuhara, President of the Seiyukai Political Party, accompanied by other Japanese political leaders, left Shanghai by plane yesterday morning for Japan.

Other members of his party included Mr. Kenkichi Yoshizawa, Member of the House of Peers, and Mr. Teiichi Nishikawa and Mr. Kiroku Oguchi, Members of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wang called on Mr. Kuhara and his party at the Astor House Hotel Tuesday afternoon to bid them farewell, the Tairiku Shimpo, local Japanese daily reported. After a 45-minute interview, Mr. Kuhara presented a copy of his book, "Principles of Advance," to Mr. Wang, the Japanese press said.

Commenting on the conference, Mr. Wang said that Dr. Sun Yat-sen, whom Mr. Kuhara supported, received the support of a number of Japanese and never allowed anti-Japanese activities to be launched by persons attached to his movement, the Japanese papers said.

Mr. Kuhara told Mr. Wang in the interview that the principles stressed in the Konoye statement—neighbourly relations between countries in East Asia, their economic co-operation and maintenance of an anti-Comintern front—were advocated in his book.

A.P.C. Installation Again Working

Comparative Quiet Reigns On Industrial Front

Comparative quiet reigned on Shanghai's industrial front yesterday.

At the Asiatic Petroleum Co. installation in Yangtszepoo a temporary settlement of the strike among the Chinese workers had been effected, and work was proceeding.

At the China Textile mill, Yenping Road, 100 of the striking employees were back at their jobs, while 150 hands were still out.

The Dah Doong Rubber Co. plant in Meichow Road has resumed, but the Chinese Aluminium Rolling Mills, also in Meichow Road, are not working.

The "Special Municipality" police evicted the 400 workers at the A.B.C. Underwear Co., in Connaught Road in extra-Settlement territory, who were engaged in a "sit-down" strike.

Mr. C.E. Gauss Returning To Shanghai

Manila, Dec. 27.

Mr. Clarence E. Gauss, accompanied by his wife, left Manila for Shanghai this afternoon aboard the steamship President Pierce following a month's vacation visit in the Philippines.—United Press.

Positions Vacant

Do not enclose original testimonials when replying to advertisements. Copies answer the same purpose.

TECHNICAL engineer for manufacturing thermos bottles wanted, German Jew preferred. Please state experience and particulars to Post Office Box 643. -10532

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WANTED, Chinese girl secretary and stenotypist in an architect's office. Apply with references, Box 5573, NCDN. -10542

CHINESE clerk, experienced in export office routine required by Chinese firm. Small commencing salary but prospects good. Replies should be written in English and Chinese. Box 5555, NCDN. -10498

QUALIFY yourself for better office position. The Shanghai Business College gives expert tuition in Pitman's shorthand, touch typewriting, English, bookkeeping and accountancy. Quickest and easiest method to guide you to success. Many qualified have been placed in suitable positions. Day and evening classes. Fees moderate. Call or write for particulars. 320 Szechuen Road. Telephone 17733. 12176

WANTED experienced Chinese soda fountain dispenser for immediate employment. Must speak English. Apply in person to The Tricolore, 212 Nanking Road. -10469

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Advertisements under this heading only are accepted at the rate of five dollar cents per word per insertion, with a minimum charge of $0.80.

SMART, young Chinese, 30, capable and ambitious, desires position from January as in charge of sales or distribution department. Interviews and calls on clients. Handling English and Chinese correspondence and business communications. Indoor and outdoor services. Can furnish bond. Excellent references. Salary $150 and commission. Please address Box 5569, NCDN. -10535

NURSE, speaking English and German, wants to have a job to child or other similar position. Address Box 5568, NCDN. -10531

DIPLOMAED engineer, Russian, 36, seeks permanent position. Well-experienced in all electric mechanical works (automatic telephones, radio) Hardworking, reliable, able to supervise Chinese workmen. Good references. Box 5560, NCDN. -10512

ELECTRICAL - mechanical engineer desires permanent position. Long time experience with diesels, power plants, laboratories. Box 5558, NCDN. -10505

HIGHLY efficient and capable young Chinese, educated in Japan, with good knowledge of English, having wide secretarial experience, seeks position. Minimum salary expected $310. Please reply Box 5557, NCDN. -10500

WANTED qualified chemistry tutor for serious pupil. State terms. Please reply to Box 5523, NCDN. -10445

EXCELLENT positions assured after a few months training at Farmer's Commercial College, 264, Kiangse Road. Telephone 14967. -8957

BANK accountant (Chinese) over 20 years experience in general offices and banking houses, with a knowledge of stenography and Russian, seeks a responsible position. A1 references. Address Box 5538, NCDN. -10469

PIANIST by sight and by ear, also vocalist, well-recommended, desires position. Other excellent musicians procured if desired. Apply Weissler, 291 Macgregor Road. -10462

EFFICIENT, experienced Chinese lady stenographer with very good knowledge of English and accountancy, speaks local dialect and Mandarin, seeks immediate employment. Address Box 5536, NCDN. -10486

Business Opportunities

COMPRADORE or partner with capital wanted for profitable business enterprise. Reply Box 5567, NCDN. -10527

CAPITALIST desired, investment $2,500, for production of special articles formerly produced in Europe, excellent export articles. Box 5465, NCDN. -10369

CLAIMS and debts attended to on commission basis. Clarkes Agency, 88 Nanking Road, Telephone 10092. 12604

TRADE enquiries, financial status reports, insurance (all classes). Clarkes Agency, 88 Nanking Road. Telephone 10092. 12665

ARMOURED cars with armed foreign guards, for transporting treasure. Clarkes Agency, 88 Nanking Road. Telephone 10092. 12663

Personal

WOULD any kind lady or married couple sailing "Taiyo Maru," January 2 to Kobe, caretake or befriend young American boy (9 years) during voyage. Compensation gladly granted if necessary. Address Box 5570, NCDN. -10539

COLLEGE graduate, Chinese, wishes to meet foreign educated gentleman or lady for foreign language exchange. Box 5564, NCDN. -10519

I SAT two seats to your left, Nanking Theatre. You had no matches. Communicate, Box 5578 NCDN.

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TWO charming ladies wish to meet gentlemen for New Year's Eve. Address Box 5552, NCDN. -10495

GENTLEMAN, foreigner, middle-aged, of good appearance, first-class businessman, speaking French, Italian, wants to meet a lady with a profitable business. View matrimony, some capital available. Address Box 5550, NCDN. -10491

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WANTED a good home for a large, young, half breed watch-dog. Address Box 5445, NCDN. 13070

SINGING and piano lessons by experienced lady teacher, Vienna Music Academy, easy and fast method. Berta Schlittner, 764 Rue Bourgeat, House 27, Room 6, Telephone 74007. -10258

WANTED, Japanese lessons from a young Japanese lady. Please write to Box 5436, NCDN. -10377

POSITIVELY only two additional enrollments accepted for new January class. Gregg School of Business. Shanghai's Premier Academy. 55 Yuen-Ming-Yuen Road. 13027

For Sale—Miscellaneous

SECONDHAND telegraph code: Acme, Bentley's, Hsingming, for sale. Great China Secondhand Book Store, 1st floor, Room 117, 429 Kiukiang Road. -10507

BARGAIN, dinner-set, flower design, $90. Coffee set, $70, all for 12 persons. Also big stock in wine-glasses, $2 one piece. 150 Tifeng Road, House 15, Flat 2. -10530

CRYSTALWARE for New Year's Eve glasses of all kinds, bowls, dishes, bottles, etc. in great selection at lowest prices. General Magazine, 337 Avenue Haig. -10529

TAPESTRY covered Chesterfield, two large armchairs and occasional chair, leather covered desk chair, all with loose cushions and covers and extremely comfortable; flat wall writing bureau with drawers, cupboard and sheives, ideal for modern flat; mahogany music or gramophone cabinet 5 drawers; imported real ebony card table; four teakwood teapoys; stool; glass fronted cabinet; four foot Simmons bed including Slumber King and Beauty Rest mattress and two pillows; gate-legged table and cakestand. All guaranteed absolutely clean and in good condition. Address Box 5565, NCDN. 13163

BEAUTIFUL crystalware, dinner-sets, porcelain figures, oil paintings. 421 Avenue Roi Albert, Apartment 5. -10503

$1 PROVISIONS sale. 4 lb. rice, five tins sardines, four tins solia tomatoes, two large oval tins sardines tomato or chili, two tins salmon, four rolls toilet paper. Delivered everywhere. W. I. Zimmerman Co., 215 Szechuen Road, Telephone 13233. -10232

TWO carpets, 8 x 10 and 9 x 12 for sale at $150 each. 233 Nanking Road, Room 206A. -10547

SALE, complete dining set, 1366 Rue Lafayette, Apartment 3, Telephone 76359. -10541

BABY aprons, $1.10; silk scarves, $3.10; woollen gloves, $1.35. Lace & Linen Syndicate, 114 Peking Road. 13195

FOR SALE, slot-machine, advantageous price. 668 Szechuen Road, Room 304. -10526

REMAINDER of my crate, porcelain figures Rosenthal, dinner-set, coffee-set, crystalware, smoking-table, Persian carpet, German carpet, hair-dryer, sundries. Erber, Sayzoong Passage 93/12A. -10525

FIRST-class, 220 volt vacuum cleaner, $90. Weinmann Bros., 2 Nanking Road, Sassoon House, Room 248. -10524

SHIRTS correctly made to measure. English poplins and pure silk from $14.50. Razon's, 12 Central Road. 13156

WOOL-JERSEY dresses and suits made in Vienna. Only 60 left. Smart style and colours. All sizes. For sports and dress occasions. Call Apartment E2, House 3, 1248 Lafayette, Telephone 76265. -10517

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SILVER coffee-tea set, six pieces, exceptionally beautiful. A pair of fine candlesticks and some more small things. No dealers. Box 5553, NCDN. -10496

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BEAUTIFUL porcelain, Baccarat and crystalware (tea-coffee sets, vases, plates, small cups, perfume/liqueur sets, etc.), watches. 181 Avenue Dubail, Apartment 2 (bus 21 stop). -10490

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BARGAIN sale of latest styles of folding Singer sewing-machine. Dinner, coffee, tea sets, crystalware. Apply Hamilton House, Room 138. -10461

SECONDHAND books. Large collection of books on law, medicine, engineering, economics, literature dictionaries, Encyclopedia Britannica, Acme Code and German books, etc., sale at reasonable prices. Great China Secondhand Book Store, first-floor, Room 116-7, 429 Kiukiang Road. -10353

SALE. Gold, silver, silk, laces chiffon stockings, half prices. 660 Avenue Joffre, opposite Massenet. Ivanovich. -9897

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LEATHER and Suede jackets, coats and gloves. Raincoats from best English materials, are practical and useful New Year gifts. British Manufacturing Company, 795 Bubbling Well Road, 909 Avenue Joffre. 12954

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